

# GPSMAP® 8000 Glass Helm Series

## Owner's Manual



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# Introduction

## ⚠ WARNING

See the *Important Safety and Product Information* guide in the product box for product warnings and other important information.

## GPSMAP 8000 Series Front View

The location of items varies based upon the model. This image and table are representations of the GPSMAP 8000 series devices.



①	Power key
②	Automatic backlight sensor
③	Touchscreen

### Using the Touchscreen

- Tap the screen to select an item.
- Drag or swipe your finger across the screen to pan or scroll.
- Pinch two fingers together to zoom out.
- Spread two fingers apart to zoom in.

### Locking the Touchscreen

You can lock the touchscreen to prevent inadvertent screen touches.

- 1 Select .
- 2 Select **Lock Touchscreen**.

### Downloading the Manuals

You can get the latest owner's manual and translations of manuals from the web.

- 1 Go to [www.garmin.com/support](http://www.garmin.com/support).
- 2 Select **Manuals**.
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions to download the manual for your product.

### Getting More Information



If you have any questions about your device, you can contact Garmin® Product Support.

The website, [www.garmin.com/support](http://www.garmin.com/support), offers many different troubleshooting tips to help resolve most issues and answer most questions.

- Frequently-asked questions (FAQs)
- Software updates
- Owner's and installation manuals
- Service alerts
- Video
- Contact numbers and addresses


### Tips and Shortcuts

- Select **Home** from any screen to return to the Home screen.


- Select **Menu** from any main screen to access additional settings about that screen.
- Press  to adjust the backlight and lock the touchscreen.
- Hold  to turn the chartplotter on or off.

## Inserting a Memory Card

You can use optional memory cards in the chartplotter. Map cards allow you to view high-resolution satellite imagery and aerial reference photos of ports, harbors, marinas, and other points of interest. You can use blank memory cards to transfer data such as waypoints, routes, and tracks to another compatible chartplotter or a computer.

- 1 Open the door  on the memory card reader.



- 2 Insert the memory card  with the label facing away from the door.
- 3 Press the card in until it clicks.
- 4 Close the card reader door.

## Loading the New Software on a Memory Card

The device may contain a software-update memory card. If so, follow the instructions provided with the card. If a software update memory card is not included, you must copy the software update to a memory card.

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot on the computer.
- 2 Go to [www.garmin.com/support/software/marine.html](http://www.garmin.com/support/software/marine.html).
- 3 Select **Download** next to "Garmin Marine Network with SD card."
- 4 Read and agree to the terms.
- 5 Select **Download**.
- 6 Select **Run**.
- 7 Select the drive associated with the memory card, and select **Next > Finish**.




## Updating the Device Software

Before you can update the software, you must obtain a software-update memory card or load the latest software onto a memory card.

- 1 Turn on the chartplotter.
- 2 After the home screen appears, insert the memory card into the card slot.  
**NOTE:** In order for the software update instructions to appear, the device must be fully booted before the card is inserted.
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions.
- 4 Wait several minutes while the software update process completes.  
The device returns to normal operation after the software update process is complete.
- 5 Remove the memory card.

**NOTE:** If the memory card is removed before the device restarts fully, the software update is not complete.

## GPS Satellite Signals

When you turn on the chartplotter, the GPS receiver must collect satellite data and establish the current location. When the chartplotter acquires satellite signals,  appears at the top of the Home screen. When the chartplotter loses satellite signals,  disappears and a flashing question mark appears over  on the chart.

For more information about GPS, go to [www.garmin.com/aboutGPS](http://www.garmin.com/aboutGPS).

### Selecting the GPS Source

You can select your preferred source for GPS data, if you have more than one GPS source.

- 1 Select **Settings > System > GPS > Source**.
- 2 Select the source for GPS data.

## Stations and Home Screens

When multiple displays are installed on the Garmin Marine Network, you can group them together into a station. A station enables the displays to work together, instead of as several separate displays.

When you select **Home** on one display, each display in the station returns to the Home screen.

There are two types of home screens. You can move between the two home screens by selecting the arrows. One home screen contains menu items for this display only. The other home screen contains SmartMode™ menu items, which are geared toward an activity, such as cruising or docking.

With the SmartMode feature, when a button is selected from the Home screen, each display in the station can show unique information. For example, when **Cruising** is selected from the Home screen, one display can show the Navigation chart and another display can show the Radar screen.

You can customize the layout of the pages on each display, making each page different on each display. When you change the layout of a page in one display, the changes appear only on that display. When you change the name and symbol of the layout, those changes appear on all displays in the station, to maintain a consistent appearance.

### Customizing the Home Screen

You can add items to and remove items from the Home screen. Any customization made to one Home screen in the station appears on all displays in the station.

- 1 From the Home screen, select **Menu**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To add an item to the Home screen, select **Add Layout**, and select the item to add.
  - To remove an item, select **Delete Layout**, and select the item to remove.

### Resetting the Station Layouts

You can restore the factory default layouts for all stations.

Select **Settings > System > Station Information > Reset Stations**.

## Using the Garmin Helm™ Application with the Chartplotter

Before you can control the chartplotter with the Garmin Helm application, you must download and install the application, and connect the chartplotter to a Wi-Fi® router.

- 1 Select **Settings > Communications > Wireless Devices > Helm App**.
- 2 Select an option.
- 3 Use the application to view or control the chartplotter.

## Setting the Vessel Type

You can select your boat type to configure the chartplotter settings and to use features customized for your boat type.

- 1 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Vessel Type**.
- 2 Select **Powerboat** or **Sailboat**.


## Customizing the Layout of a Page

You change the layout of a page in the display you are interacting with, the changes appear only on that display, except for the name and symbol. If you change the name or symbol for the layout, that change appears on all displays in the station.

- 1 Open the page to customize.
- 2 Select **Menu**.
- 3 Select **Edit Layout** or **Edit Combo**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To change the name, select **Name & Symbol > Name**, enter a new name, and select **Done**.
  - To change the symbol, select **Name & Symbol > Symbol**, and select a new symbol.
  - To change the number of functions shown, select **Functions**, and select a number.
  - To change the vertical or horizontal orientation of a multi-function display, select **Split**, and select an option.
  - To change how data appears on the page, select **Overlays**, and select an option.
  - To change the type of data shown on the page, select **Overlays > Data**, select an option, and follow the on-screen instructions to change the data shown.

## Adjusting the Backlight

- 1 Select **Settings > System > Beeper and Display > Backlight**.

**TIP:** Press  from any screen to open the backlight settings.

- 2 Select an option:
  - Adjust the backlight level.
  - Select **Auto**.

## Adjusting the Color Mode

- 1 Select **Settings > System > Beeper and Display > Color Mode**.

**TIP:** Press  from any screen to access the color settings.

- 2 Select an option.

## Charts and 3D Chart Views

The charts and 3D chart views that are available depend on the map data and accessories used.

You can access the charts and 3D chart views by selecting **Charts**.

**Navigation Chart:** Shows navigation data available on your pre-loaded maps and from supplemental maps, if available. The data includes buoys, lights, cables, depth soundings, marinas, and tide stations in an overhead view.

**Perspective 3D:** Provides a view from above and behind the boat (according to your course) and provides a visual navigation aid. This view is helpful when navigating tricky shoals, reefs, bridges, or channels, and is beneficial when trying to identify entry and exit routes in unfamiliar harbors or anchorages.

**Mariner's Eye 3D:** Shows a detailed, three-dimensional view from above and behind the boat (according to your course) and provides a visual navigation aid. This view is helpful when navigating tricky shoals, reefs, bridges, or channels,



and when trying to identify entry and exit routes in unfamiliar harbors or anchorages.

**NOTE:** Mariner's Eye 3D and Fish Eye 3D chart views are available with premium charts, in some areas.

**Fish Eye 3D:** Provides an underwater view that visually represents the sea floor according to the chart information. When a sonar transducer is connected, suspended targets (such as fish) are indicated by red, green, and yellow spheres. Red indicates the largest targets and green indicates the smallest.

**Fishing Chart:** Provides a detailed view of the bottom contours and depth soundings on the chart. This chart removes navigational data from the chart, provides detailed bathymetric data, and enhances bottom contours for depth recognition. This chart is best for offshore deep-sea fishing.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

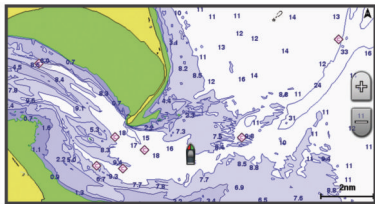
**Radar Overlay:** Superimposes radar information on the Navigation chart or the Fishing chart, when the chartplotter is connected to a radar. This feature is not available with all models.

## Navigation Chart and Offshore Fishing Chart

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

The Navigation and Fishing charts allow you to plan your course, view map information, and follow a route. The Fishing chart is for offshore fishing.

To open the Navigation chart, select **Charts > Nav Chart**.



To open the Fishing chart, select **Charts > Fishing Chart**.

### Zooming In and Out Using the Touchscreen

You can quickly zoom in and out of many screens, such as the charts and sonar views.

- Pinch two fingers together to zoom out.
- Spread two fingers apart to zoom in.

### Measuring a Distance on the Chart

- 1 From a chart or the Radar overlay, select a location.
- 2 Select **Measure Distance**.

A push pin appears on the screen at your present location. The distance and angle from the pin is listed in the upper-left corner.

**TIP:** To reset the pin and measure from the current location of the cursor, select **Set Reference**.

### Chart Symbols

This table contains some of the common symbols you might see on the detailed charts.

Icon	Description
	Buoy
	Information
	Marine services
	Tide station
	Current station

Icon	Description
	Overhead photo available
	Perspective photo available

Other features common to most charts include depth contour lines, intertidal zones, spot soundings (as depicted on the original paper chart), navigational aids and symbols, obstructions, and cable areas.

### Showing a Different Chart

- 1 From a chart or 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Change Chart**.
- 2 Select a chart or 3D chart view.

### Viewing Location and Object Information on a Chart

You can view information about a location or an object on the Navigation chart or the Fishing chart.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select a location or object.

A list of options appears along the right side of the chart. The options that appear vary based on the location or object you selected.

- 2 Select an option:

- To view details of objects in the vicinity of the cursor, select **Review**.

**NOTE:** **Review** does not appear if the cursor is not near an object. If the cursor is near only one object, the name of the object appears.

- To navigate to the selected location, select **Navigate To**.
- To mark a waypoint at the cursor location, select **Create Waypoint**.
- To view the distance and bearing of the object from your current location, select **Measure Distance**.

The distance and bearing appear on the screen. Select **Set Reference** to measure from a location other than your current location.

- To view tide, current, celestial, chart notes, or local services information near the cursor, select **Information**.

### Viewing Details about Nav aids

From the Navigation chart, Fishing chart, Perspective 3D chart view, or Mariner's Eye 3D chart view, you can view details about various types of navigation aids, including beacons, lights, and obstructions.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

**NOTE:** Mariner's Eye 3D and Fish Eye 3D chart views are available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 From a chart or 3D chart view, select a nav aid.
- 2 If necessary, select **Review**.
- 3 Select the name of the nav aid.

### Navigating to a Point on the Chart

#### CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

When using Go To, a direct course and a corrected course may pass over land or shallow water. Use visual sightings, and steer to avoid land, shallow water, and other dangerous objects.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select a location.
- 2 If necessary, select **Select**.
- 3 Select **Navigate To**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To navigate directly to the location, select **Go To**.
  - To create a route to the location, including turns, select **Route To**.
  - To use Auto Guidance, select **Guide To**.
- 5 Review the course indicated by the magenta line.

**NOTE:** When using Auto Guidance, a gray segment within any part of the magenta line indicates that Auto Guidance cannot calculate part of the Auto Guidance line. This is due to the settings for minimum safe water depth and minimum safe obstacle height.
- 6 Follow the magenta line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

## Premium Charts

### CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

**NOTE:** Not all models support all charts.

Optional premium charts, such as BlueChart® g2 Vision®, allow you to get the most out of your chartplotter. In addition to detailed marine charting, premium charts may contain these features, which are available in some areas.

**Mariner's Eye 3D:** Provides a view from above and behind the boat for a three-dimensional navigation aid.

**Fish Eye 3D:** Provides an underwater, three-dimensional view that visually represents the sea floor according to the information on the chart.

**Fishing Charts:** Shows the chart with enhanced bottom contours and without navigational data. This chart works well for offshore deep-sea fishing.


**High Resolution Satellite Imagery:** Provides high-resolution satellite images for a realistic view of the land and water on the Navigation chart ([Showing Satellite Imagery on the Navigation Chart](#)).

**Aerial Photos:** Shows marinas and other navigational significant aerial photos to help you visualize your surroundings ([Viewing Aerial Photos of Landmarks](#)).

**Detailed Roads and POI data:** Shows detailed road and point of interest (POI) data, which includes highly detailed coastal roads and POIs such as restaurants, lodging, and local attractions.

**Auto Guidance:** Uses specified safe depth, safe height, and chart data to determine the best course to your destination. Auto Guidance is available when you navigate to a destination using Guide To.

## Viewing Tide Station Information

 on the chart indicates a tide station. You can view a detailed graph for a tide station to help predict the tide level at different times or on different days.

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select a tide station.

Tide direction and tide level information appear near .

- 2 Select an option to view additional station information:
  - Select the station name.
  - If more than one item is in the vicinity, select **Review**, and select the station name.

## Animated Tide and Current Indicators

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

You can view indicators for animated tide station and current direction on the Navigation chart or the Fishing chart. You must also enable animated icons in the chart settings ([Showing and Configuring Tides and Currents](#)).

An indicator for a tide station appears on the chart as a vertical bar graph with an arrow. A red arrow pointing downward indicates a falling tide, and a blue arrow pointing upward indicates a rising tide. When you move the cursor over the tide station indicator, the height of the tide at the station appears above the station indicator.

Current direction indicators appear as arrows on the chart. The direction of each arrow indicates the direction of the current at a specific location on the chart. The color of the current arrow indicates the range of speed for the current at that location. When you move the cursor over the current direction indicator, the specific current speed at the location appears above the direction indicator.

Color	Current Speed Range
Yellow	0 to 1 knot
Orange	1 to 2 knots
Red	2 or more knots

## Showing and Configuring Tides and Currents

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.


You can show static or animated tide and current station indicators on the Navigation chart or Fishing chart.

- 1 From the Navigation or Fishing chart, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Chart Setup > Tides & Currents**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To show current station indicators and tide station indicators on the chart, select **On**.
  - To show animated tide station indicators and animated current direction indicators on the chart, select **Animated**.

## Showing Satellite Imagery on the Navigation Chart

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

You can overlay high-resolution satellite images on the land or on both land and sea portions of the Navigation chart.

**NOTE:** When enabled, high-resolution satellite images are present only at lower zoom levels. If you cannot see high-resolution images in your optional chart region, you can select  to zoom in. You also can set the detail level higher by changing the map zoom detail.



- 1 From the Navigation chart, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Chart Setup > Satellite Photos**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - Select **Land Only** to show standard chart information on the water, with photos overlaying the land.
  - Select **Photo Map** to show photos on both the water and the land at a specified opacity. Use the slider bar to adjust the photo opacity. The higher you set the percentage, the more the satellite photos cover both land and water.

## Viewing Aerial Photos of Landmarks

Before you can view aerial photos on the Navigation chart, you must turn on the Photo setting in the chart setup.

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

You can use aerial photographs of landmarks, marinas, and harbors to help orient yourself to your surroundings or to acquaint yourself with a marina or a harbor prior to arrival.

- From the Navigation chart, select a camera icon:
  - To view an overhead photo, select .
  - To view a perspective photo, select . The photo was taken from the location of the camera, pointed in the direction of the cone.
- Select **Review > Aerial Photo**.








## Automatic Identification System

The Automatic Identification System (AIS) enables you to identify and track other vessels, and alerts you to area traffic. When connected to an external AIS device, the chartplotter can show some AIS information about other vessels that are within range, that are equipped with a transponder, and that are actively transmitting AIS information.

The information reported for each vessel includes the Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI), location, GPS speed, GPS heading, time that has elapsed since the last position of the vessel was reported, nearest approach, and time to the nearest approach.

Some chartplotter models also support Blue Force Tracking. Vessels being tracked with Blue Force Tracking are indicated on the chartplotter with a blue-green color.

### AIS Targeting Symbols

Symbol	Description
	AIS vessel. The vessel is reporting AIS information. The direction in which the triangle is pointing indicates the direction in which the AIS vessel is moving.
	Target is selected.
	Target is activated. The target appears larger on the chart. A green line attached to the target indicates the heading of the target. The MMSI, speed, and direction of the vessel appear beneath the target, if the details setting has been set to Show. If the AIS transmission from the vessel is lost, a message banner appears.
	Target is lost. A green X indicates that the AIS transmission from the vessel is lost, and the chartplotter displays a message banner asking whether the vessel should continue to be tracked. If you discontinue vessel tracking, the lost target symbol disappears from the chart or the 3D chart view.
	Dangerous target in range. The target flashes while an alarm sounds and a message banner appears. After the alarm has been acknowledged, a solid red triangle with a red line attached to it indicates the location and the heading of the target. If the safe-zone collision alarm has been set to Off, the target flashes, but the audible alarm does not sound and the alarm banner does not appear. If the AIS transmission from the vessel is lost, a message banner appears.
	Dangerous target is lost. A red X indicates that the AIS transmission from the vessel is lost, and the chartplotter displays a message banner asking whether the vessel should continue to be tracked. If you discontinue vessel tracking, the lost dangerous target symbol disappears from the chart or the 3D chart view.
	The location of this symbol indicates the closest point of approach to a dangerous target, and the numbers near the symbol indicate the time to the closest point of approach to that target.

**NOTE:** Vessels being tracked with the Blue Force Tracking feature are indicated with a blue-green color regardless of their status.

## Heading and Projected Course of Activated AIS Targets

When heading and course over ground information are provided by an activated AIS target, the heading of the target appears on a chart as a solid line attached to the AIS target symbol. A heading line does not appear on a 3D chart view.

The projected course of an activated AIS target appears as a dashed line on a chart or a 3D chart view. The length of the projected course line is based on the value of the projected heading setting. If an activated AIS target is not transmitting speed information, or if the vessel is not moving, a projected course line does not appear. Changes in the speed, course over ground, or rate of turn information transmitted by the vessel can impact the calculation of the projected course line.

When course over ground, heading, and rate of turn information are provided by an activated AIS target, the projected course of the target is calculated based on the course over ground and the rate of turn information. The direction in which the target is turning, which is also based on the rate of turn information, is indicated by the direction of the barb at the end of the heading line. The length of the barb does not change.



When course over ground and heading information are provided by an activated AIS target, but rate of turn information is not provided, the projected course of the target is calculated based on the course over ground information.

### Showing AIS and MARPA Vessels on a Chart or on a 3D Chart View

Before you can show AIS vessels on a chart, you must have an external AIS device and active transponder signals from other vessels. Mini Automatic Radar Plotting Aid (MARPA) functionality works with radar.

You can configure how other vessels appear on a chart or on a 3D chart view. The display range and MARPA settings configured for one chart or one 3D chart view are applied only to that chart or to that 3D chart view. The details, projected heading, and trails settings configured for one chart or one 3D chart view are applied to all charts and to all 3D chart views.

- From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Other Vessels > Display Setup**.
- Select an option:
  - To indicate the distance from your location in which AIS vessels appear, select **Display Range**, and select a distance.
  - To show MARPA-tagged vessels, select **MARPA > Show**.
  - To show details about AIS-activated and MARPA-tagged vessels, select **Details > Show**.
  - To set the projected heading time for AIS-activated and MARPA-tagged vessels, select **Proj. Heading**, and enter the time.
  - To show the tracks of AIS vessels, select the length of the track that appears using a trail, select **Trails**, and select the length.

### Activating a Target for an AIS Vessel

- From a chart or a 3D chart view, select an AIS vessel.
- Select **AIS Vessel > Activate Target**.

### Viewing Information about a Targeted AIS Vessel

You can view the AIS signal status, MMSI, GPS speed, GPS heading, and other information that is reported about a targeted AIS vessel.

- From a chart or a 3D chart view, select an AIS vessel.

- 2 Select **AIS Vessel**.

### Deactivating a Target for an AIS Vessel

- 1 From a chart or a 3D chart view, select an AIS vessel.
- 2 Select **AIS Vessel > Deactivate**.

### Viewing a List of AIS and MARPA Threats

- 1 From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Other Vessels > AIS & MARPA List > Show**.
- 2 Select the type of threats to include in the list.

### Setting the Safe-Zone Collision Alarm

Before you can set a collision alarm, you must have a compatible chartplotter connected to an AIS device or radar. The safe-zone collision alarm is used only with AIS and MARPA. MARPA functionality works with radar. The safe zone is used for collision avoidance and can be customized.

- 1 Select **Settings > Alarms > AIS > Collision Alarm > On**.  
A message banner appears and an alarm sounds when a MARPA-tagged object or an AIS-activated vessel enters the safe-zone area around your boat. The object is also labeled as dangerous on the screen. When the alarm is off, the message banner and audible alarm are disabled, but the object is still labeled as dangerous on the screen.
- 2 Select **Range**.
- 3 Select a distance for the safe-zone radius around your vessel.
- 4 Select **Time To**.
- 5 Select a time at which the alarm will sound if a target is determined to intersect the safe zone.  
For example, to be notified of a pending intersection 10 minutes before it will likely occur, set **Time To** to 10, and the alarm will sound 10 minutes before the vessel intersects the safe zone.

### AIS Distress Signals





Self-contained AIS distress signal devices transmit emergency position reports when activated. The chartplotter can receive signals from Search and Rescue Transmitters (SART), Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRB), and other man overboard signals. Distress signal transmissions are different than standard AIS transmissions, so they appear differently on the chartplotter. Instead of tracking a distress signal transmission for collision avoidance, you track a distress signal transmission to locate and assist a vessel or person.

#### Navigating to a Distress Signal Transmission

When you receive a distress signal transmission, a distress signal alarm appears.

Select **Review > Go To** to begin navigation to the transmission.

#### AIS Distress Signal Device Targeting Symbols

Symbol	Description
	AIS distress signal device transmission. Select to see more information about the transmission and begin navigation.
	Transmission lost.
	Transmission test. Appears when a vessel initiates a test of their distress signal device, and does not represent a true emergency.
	Transmission test lost.

#### Enabling AIS Transmission Test Alerts

To avoid a large number of test alerts and symbols in crowded areas such as marinas, you can select to receive or ignore AIS test messages. To test an AIS emergency device, you must enable the chartplotter to receive test alerts.

- 1 Select **Settings > Alarms > AIS**.

- 2 Select an option:

- To receive or ignore Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) test signals, select **AIS-EPIRB Test**.
- To receive or ignore Man Overboard (MOB) test signals, select **AIS-MOB Test**.
- To receive or ignore Search and Rescue Transponder (SART) test signals, select **AIS-SART Test**.

### Turning Off AIS Reception

AIS signal reception is turned on by default.

Select **Settings > Other Vessels > AIS > Off**.

All AIS functionality on all charts and 3D chart views is disabled. This includes AIS vessel targeting and tracking, collision alarms that result from AIS vessel targeting and tracking, and the display of information about AIS vessels.

### Chart and 3D Chart View Settings

**NOTE:** Not all settings apply to all charts and 3D chart views. Some options require premium maps or connected accessories, such as radar.

These settings apply to the charts and 3D chart views, except the radar overlay and Fish Eye 3D ([Fish Eye 3D Settings](#)).

From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu**.

**Waypoints & Tracks:** See [Waypoints and Tracks Settings on the Charts and Chart Views](#).

**Other Vessels:** See [Other Vessels Settings on the Charts and Chart Views](#).

**Surface Radar:** Shows surface radar details on the Perspective 3D or Mariner's Eye 3D chart views.

**Weather Radar:** Shows weather radar imaging on the Perspective 3D or Mariner's Eye 3D chart views.

**Nav aids:** Shows navigational aids on the Fishing chart.

**Laylines:** Adjusts the laylines, when in sailing mode ([Laylines Settings](#)).

**Chart Setup:** See [Navigation and Fishing Chart Setup](#).

**Chart Appearance:** See [Chart Appearance Settings](#). This might appear in the Chart Setup menu.

### Navigation and Fishing Chart Setup

**NOTE:** Not all settings apply to all charts and 3D chart views. Some settings require external accessories or applicable premium charts.

From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Chart Setup**.

**Satellite Photos:** Shows high-resolution satellite images on the land or on both land and sea portions of the Navigation chart, when certain premium maps are used ([Showing Satellite Imagery on the Navigation Chart](#)).

**Water Overlay:** Enables relief shading, which shows the gradient of the bottom with shading, or sonar imagery, which helps identify the density of the of the bottom. This feature is available only with some premium maps.

**Tides & Currents:** Shows current station indicators and tide station indicators on the chart ([Showing and Configuring Tides and Currents](#)) and enables the tides and current slider, which sets the time for which tides and currents are reported on the map.

**Roses:** Shows a compass rose around your boat, indicating compass direction oriented to the heading of the boat. A true wind direction or apparent wind direction indicator appears if the chartplotter is connected to a compatible marine wind sensor. When in sailing mode, true and apparent wind are shown on the wind rose.

**Lake Level:** Sets the present water level of the lake. This feature is available only with some premium maps.

**Inset Map:** Shows a small map centered on your present location.

**Weather:** Sets which weather items are shown on the chart, when the chartplotter is connected to a compatible weather receiver with an active subscription. Requires a compatible, connected antenna and an active subscription.

**Chart Appearance:** See [Chart Appearance Settings](#).

## Waypoints and Tracks Settings on the Charts and Chart Views

From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Waypoints & Tracks**.

**Tracks:** Shows tracks on the chart or 3D chart view.

**Waypoints:** Shows the list of waypoints ([Viewing a List of all Waypoints](#)).

**Create Waypoint:** Creates a new waypoint.

**Waypoint Display:** Sets how to display waypoints on the chart.

**Active Tracks:** Shows the active track options menu.

**Saved Tracks:** Shows the list of saved tracks ([Viewing a List of Saved Tracks](#)).

**Tracks Display:** Sets which tracks to display on the chart based on track color.

## Chart Appearance Settings

You can adjust the appearance of the different chart views. Each setting is specific for the type of chart view that you are in.

**NOTE:** Not all settings apply to all charts and 3D chart views and chartplotter models. Some options require premium maps or connected accessories, such as radar.

From a chart or 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Chart Setup > Chart Appearance**.

**Orientation:** Sets the perspective of the map.

**Detail:** Adjusts the amount of detail shown on the map, at different zoom levels.

**Heading Line:** Shows and adjusts the heading line, which is a line drawn on the map from the bow of the boat in the direction of travel, and sets the data source for the heading line.

**World Map:** Uses either a basic world map or a shaded relief map on the chart. These differences are visible only when zoomed out too far to see the detailed charts.

**Spot Depths:** Turns on spot soundings and sets a dangerous depth. Spot depths that are equal to or more shallow than the dangerous depth are indicated by red text.

**Safety Shading:** Sets the shades from the shoreline to the specified depth.

**Depth Range Shading:** Specifies an upper and lower depth to shade between.

**Symbols:** Shows and configures the appearance of various symbols on the chart, such as the vessel icon, navaid symbols, land POIs, and light sectors.

**Style:** Sets how the chart appears over 3D terrain.

**Hazard Colors:** Shows shallow water and land with a color scale. Blue indicates deep water, yellow is shallow water, and red is very shallow water.

**Safe Depth:** Sets the appearance of a safe depth for Mariner's Eye 3D.

**NOTE:** This setting affects only the appearance of hazard colors in Mariner's Eye 3D. It does not affect the safe water depth Auto Guidance setting or the sonar shallow water alarm setting.

**Range Rings:** Shows and configures the appearance of range rings, which help you to visualize distances in some chart views.

**Lane Width:** Specifies the width of the navigation lane, which is the magenta line in some chart views that indicates the course to your destination.

## Other Vessels Settings on the Charts and Chart Views

**NOTE:** These options require connected accessories, such as an AIS receiver or VHF radio.

From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Other Vessels**.

**AIS & MARPA List:** Shows a list of AIS and MARPA vessels.

**DSC:** Shows the DSC list and sets the DSC trails on the chart.

**Collision Alarm:** Sets the safe-zone collision alarm ([Setting the Safe-Zone Collision Alarm](#)).

**Display Setup:** See [Showing AIS and MARPA Vessels on a Chart or on a 3D Chart View](#).

## Laylines Settings

When in sailing mode ([Setting the Vessel Type](#)), you can display laylines on the navigation chart. Laylines can be very helpful when racing.

From the navigation chart, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Laylines**.

**Display:** Sets how the laylines and vessel are shown on the chart, and sets the length of the laylines.

**Sailing Ang.:** Allows you to select how the device calculates laylines. The **Actual** option calculates the laylines using the measured wind angle from the wind sensor. The **Manual** option calculates the laylines using manually entered windward and leeward angles.

**Tide Correction:** Corrects the laylines based on the tide.

## Fish Eye 3D Settings

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

From the Fish Eye 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu**.

**View:** Sets the perspective of the 3D chart view.

**Tracks:** Shows tracks.

**Sonar Cone:** Shows a cone that indicates the area covered by the transducer.

**Fish Symbols:** Shows suspended targets.

# Waypoints, Routes, and Tracks

## Waypoints

Waypoints are locations you record and store in the device.

### Marking Your Present Location as a Waypoint

From any screen, select **Mark**.

### Creating a Waypoint at a Different Location

**1** Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints > Create Waypoint**.

**2** Select an option:

- To create the waypoint by entering position coordinates, select **Enter Coordinates**, and enter the coordinates.
- To create the waypoint using a chart, select **Use Chart**, select the location, and select **Select**.

### Marking an SOS Location

You can mark an SOS location. When a Garmin VHF radio is connected using NMEA 2000®, you can select different SOS types, such as Man Overboard and Piracy.

**1** From the Home screen, select **SOS**.

**2** Select the SOS type.

- 3 If necessary, select **OK** to navigate to the man overboard location.

If you selected OK, the chartplotter sets a direct course back to the location. If you selected another type of SOS, the call details are sent to the VHF radio. You must send the call using the radio.

### Viewing a List of all Waypoints

Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints**.

### Editing a Saved Waypoint

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints**.
- 2 Select a waypoint.
- 3 Select **Review > Edit**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To add a name, select **Name**, and enter a name.
  - To change the symbol, select **Symbol**.
  - To change the depth, select **Depth**.
  - To change the water temperature, select **Water Temp..**
  - To change the comment, select **Comment**.

### Moving a Saved Waypoint

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints**.
- 2 Select a waypoint.
- 3 Select **Review > Move**.
- 4 Indicate a new location for the waypoint:
  - To move the waypoint while using the chart, select **Use Chart**, select a new location on the chart, and select **Move Waypoint**.
  - To move the waypoint using coordinates, select **Enter Coordinates**, and enter the new coordinates.

### Browsing for and Navigating to a Saved Waypoint

#### CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

When using Go To, a direct course and a corrected course may pass over land or shallow water. Use visual sightings, and steer to avoid land, shallow water, and other dangerous objects.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

Before you can navigate to a waypoint, you must create a waypoint.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints**.
- 2 Select a waypoint.
- 3 Select **Navigate To**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To navigate directly to the location, select **Go To**.
  - To create a route to the location, including turns, select **Route To**.
  - To use Auto Guidance, select **Guide To**.
- 5 Review the course indicated by the magenta line.

**NOTE:** When using Auto Guidance, a gray segment within any part of the magenta line indicates that Auto Guidance cannot calculate part of the Auto Guidance line. This is due to the settings for minimum safe water depth and minimum safe obstacle height.
- 6 Follow the magenta line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

### Deleting a Waypoint or an MOB

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Waypoints**.
- 2 Select a waypoint or an MOB.
- 3 Select **Review > Delete**.

### Deleting All Waypoints

Select **Info > User Data > Clear User Data > Waypoints > All**.

## Routes

### Creating and Navigating a Route From Your Present Location

You can create and immediately navigate a route on the Navigation chart or the Fishing chart. This procedure does not save the route or the waypoint data.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select a destination.
- 2 Select **Navigate To > Route To**.
- 3 Select the location of the last turn before the destination.
- 4 Select **Add Turn**.
- 5 If necessary, repeat step 3 and 4 to add additional turns, working backward from the destination to the present location of your vessel.

The last turn you add should be the first turn you make, starting from your present location. It should be the turn closest to your vessel.
- 6 If necessary, select **Menu**.
- 7 Select **Navigate Route**.
- 8 Review the course indicated by the magenta line.
- 9 Follow the magenta line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

### Creating and Saving a Route

This procedure saves the route and all the waypoints in it. The starting point can be your present location or another location.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Routes > New Route > Use Chart**.
- 2 Select the starting location of the route.
- 3 Select **Add Turn**.
- 4 Select the location of the next turn on the chart.
- 5 Select **Add Turn**.

The chartplotter marks the location of the turn with a waypoint.
- 6 If necessary, repeat steps 4 and 5 to add more turns.
- 7 Select the final destination.

### Viewing a List of Routes

Select **Info > User Data > Routes**.

### Editing a Saved Route

You can change the name of a route or change the turns the route contains.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Routes**.
- 2 Select a route.
- 3 Select **Review > Edit Route**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To change the name, select **Name**, and enter the name.
  - To select a waypoint from the turn list, select **Edit Turns > Use Turn List**, and select a waypoint from the list.

- To select a turn using the chart, select **Edit Turns > Use Chart**, and select a location on the chart.

### Browsing for and Navigating a Saved Route

Before you can browse a list of routes and navigate to one of them, you must create and save at least one route.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Routes**.
- 2 Select a route.
- 3 Select **Navigate To**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To navigate the route from the starting point used when the route was created, select **Forward**.
  - To navigate the route from the destination point used when the route was created, select **Backward**.

A magenta line appears. In the center of the magenta line is a thinner purple line that represents the corrected course from your present location to the destination. The corrected course is dynamic, and it moves with your boat when you are off course.
- 5 Review the course indicated by the magenta line.
- 6 Follow the magenta line along each leg in the route, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.
- 7 If you are off course, follow the purple line (corrected course) to go to your destination, or steer back to the magenta line (direct course).

### Browsing for and Navigating Parallel to a Saved Route

Before you can browse a list of routes and navigate to one of them, you must create and save at least one route.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Routes**.
- 2 Select a route.
- 3 Select **Navigate To**.
- 4 Select **Offset** to navigate parallel to the route, offset from it by a specific distance.
- 5 Indicate how to navigate the route:
  - To navigate the route from the starting point used when the route was created, to the left of the original route, select **Forward – Port**.
  - To navigate the route from the starting point used when the route was created, to the right of the original route, select **Forward – Starboard**.
  - To navigate the route from the destination point used when the route was created, to the left of the original route, select **Backward – Port**.
  - To navigate the route from the destination point used when the route was created, to the right of the original route, select **Backward – Starboard**.
- 6 If necessary, select **Done**.
 

A magenta line appears. In the center of the magenta line is a thinner purple line that represents the corrected course from your present location to the destination. The corrected course is dynamic, and it moves with your boat when you are off course.
- 7 Review the course indicated by the magenta line.
- 8 Follow the magenta line along each leg in the route, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.
- 9 If you are off course, follow the purple line (corrected course) to go to your destination, or steer back to the magenta line (direct course).

### Deleting a Saved Route

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Routes**.
- 2 Select a route.

- 3 Select **Review > Delete**.

### Deleting All Saved Routes

Select **Info > User Data > Clear User Data > Routes**.

### Tracks

A track is a recording of the path of your boat. The track currently being recorded is called the active track, and it can be saved. You can show tracks in each chart or 3D chart view.

### Showing Tracks

From a chart or a 3D chart view, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Waypoints & Tracks > Tracks > On**.

A trailing line on the chart indicates your track.

### Setting the Color of the Active Track

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Active Track Options > Track Color**.
- 2 Select a track color.

### Saving the Active Track

The track currently being recorded is called the active track.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Save Active Track**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - Select the time the active track began.
  - Select **Entire Log**.
- 3 Select **Save**.

### Viewing a List of Saved Tracks

Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Saved Tracks**.

### Editing a Saved Track

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Saved Tracks**.
- 2 Select a track.
- 3 Select **Edit Track**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - Select **Name**, and enter the new name.
  - Select **Track Color**, and select a color.

### Saving a Track as a Route

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Saved Tracks**.
- 2 Select a track.
- 3 Select **Select > Edit Track > Save Route**.

### Browsing for and Navigating a Recorded Track

Before you can browse a list of tracks and navigate to them, you must record and save at least one track ([Tracks](#)).

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Saved Tracks**.
- 2 Select a track.
- 3 Select **Follow Track**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To navigate the track from the starting point used when the track was created, select **Forward**.
  - To navigate the track from the destination point used when the track was created, select **Backward**.
- 5 Review the course indicated by the colored line.
- 6 Follow the line along each leg in the route, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

### Deleting a Saved Track

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Saved Tracks**.
- 2 Select a track.
- 3 Select **Select > Delete**.

## Deleting All Saved Tracks

Select **Info > User Data > Clear User Data > Saved Tracks**.

## Retracing the Active Track

The track currently being recorded is called the active track.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Follow Active Track**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - Select the time the active track began.
  - Select **Entire Log**.
- 3 Review the course indicated by the colored line.
- 4 Follow the colored line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

## Clearing the Active Track

Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Clear Active Track**.

The track memory is cleared, and the active track continues to be recorded.

## Managing the Track Log Memory During Recording

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Active Track Options**.
- 2 Select **Record Mode**.
- 3 Select an option:
  - To record a track log until the track memory is full, select **Fill**.
  - To continuously record a track log, replacing the oldest track data with new data, select **Wrap**.

## Configuring the Recording Interval of the Track Log

You can indicate the frequency at which the track plot is recorded. Recording more frequent plots is more accurate but fills the track log faster. The resolution interval is recommended for the most efficient use of memory.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Tracks > Active Track Options > Interval > Interval**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To record the track based on a distance between points, select **Distance > Change**, and enter the distance.
  - To record the track based on a time interval, select **Time > Change**, and enter the time interval.
  - To record the track plot based on a variance from your course, select **Resolution > Change**, and enter the maximum error allowed from the true course before recording a track point.

## Synchronizing User Data Across the Garmin Marine Network

### NOTICE

Before you synchronize the user data across the network, you should backup your user data to prevent possible data loss. See [Backing Up Data to a Computer](#).

You can share waypoints, tracks, and routes with all compatible devices connected to the Garmin Marine Network (Ethernet) automatically.

**NOTE:** This feature is not available on all models.

Select **Settings > Preferences > User Data Sharing > On**.

If a change is made to a waypoint, track, or route on one chartplotter, that data is synchronized automatically across all chartplotters on the Ethernet network.

## Deleting All Saved Waypoints, Routes, and Tracks

Select **Info > User Data > Clear User Data > All > OK**.

## Navigation with a Chartplotter

### CAUTION

If your vessel has an autopilot system, a dedicated autopilot control display must be installed at each steering helm in order to disable the autopilot system.

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

**NOTE:** Mariner's Eye 3D and Fish Eye 3D chart views are available with premium charts, in some areas.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

To navigate, you must choose a destination, set a course or create a route, and follow the course or route. You can follow the course or the route on the Navigation chart, Fishing chart, Perspective 3D chart view, or Mariner's Eye 3D chart view.

## Basic Navigation Questions

Question	Answer
How do I make the chartplotter point me in the direction in which I want to go (bearing)?	Navigate using Go To. See <a href="#">Setting and Following a Direct Course Using Go To</a> .
How do I make the device guide me along a straight line (minimizing cross track) to a location using the shortest distance from the present location?	Build a single-leg route and navigate it using Route To. See <a href="#">Creating and Navigating a Route From Your Present Location</a> .
How do I make the device guide me to a location while avoiding charted obstacles?	Build a multi-leg route and navigate it using Route To. See <a href="#">Creating and Navigating a Route From Your Present Location</a> .
How do I make the device steer my automatic pilot?	Navigate using Route To. See <a href="#">Creating and Navigating a Route From Your Present Location</a> .
Can the device create a path for me?	If you have premium maps that support Auto Guidance and are in an area covered by Auto Guidance, navigate using Auto Guidance. See <a href="#">Setting and Following a Course Using Auto Guidance</a> .
How do I change the Auto Guidance settings for my boat?	See <a href="#">Auto Guidance Line Configurations</a> .

## Destinations

You can select destinations using various charts and 3D chart views or using the lists.

### Searching for a Destination by Name

You can search for saved waypoints, saved routes, saved tracks, and marine services destinations by name.

- 1 Select **Info > Services > Search by Name**.
- 2 Enter at least a portion of the name of your destination.
- 3 If necessary, select **Done**.
  - The 50 nearest destinations that contain your search criteria appear.
- 4 Select the destination.

### Selecting a Destination Using the Navigation Chart

From the Navigation chart, select a destination.



## Searching for a Marine Services Destination

**NOTE:** This feature is available with premium charts, in some areas.

The chartplotter contains information for thousands of destinations offering marine services.

- 1 Select **Info > Services**.
- 2 Select **Offshore Services** or **Inland Services**.
- 3 If necessary, select the marine service category.  
The chartplotter shows a list of the nearest locations and the distance and bearing to each.
- 4 Select a destination.  
You can select **Next Page** or **Previous Page** to view additional information or to show the location on a chart.

## Courses

### ⚠ CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

When using Go To, a direct course and a corrected course may pass over land or shallow water. Use visual sightings, and steer to avoid land, shallow water, and other dangerous objects.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

### ⚠ CAUTION

Garmin recommends using Guide To only under motor power. Using Guide To while under sail can cause an unexpected gybe, risking damage to the sailboat. Unattended sails and rigging can be damaged or cause injury to any crew or passengers during an unexpected gybe maneuver.

You can set and follow a course to a destination using one of three methods: Go To, Route To, or Guide To.

**Go To:** Takes you directly to the destination. This is the standard option for navigating to a destination. The chartplotter creates a straight line course or navigation line to the destination. The path may run over land and other obstacles.

**Route To:** Creates a route from your location to a destination, allowing you to add turns along the way. This option provides a straight line course to the destination, but allows you to add turns into the route that avoid land and other obstacles.

**Guide To:** Creates a path to a destination using Auto Guidance. This option is available only when using a compatible premium chart in a compatible chartplotter. It provides a turn-by-turn navigation line to the destination, avoiding land and other obstacles. The navigation line is based on the chart data and the safe depth, safe height, and shoreline distance user-defined chartplotter settings. Using these settings and chart data, the chartplotter creates a navigation line that avoids all areas that cannot be navigated between the present location and the destination. When you are using a compatible Garmin autopilot connected to the chartplotter using NMEA 2000, the autopilot follows the Auto Guidance route.

## Setting and Following a Direct Course Using Go To

### ⚠ CAUTION

When using Go To, a direct course and a corrected course may pass over land or shallow water. Use visual sightings, and steer to avoid land, shallow water, and other dangerous objects.

You can set and follow a direct course from your current location to a selected destination.

- 1 Select a destination ([Destinations](#)).
- 2 Select **Navigate To > Go To**.  
A magenta line appears. In the center of the magenta line is a thinner purple line that represents the corrected course from your current location to the destination. The corrected course is dynamic, and it moves with your boat when you are off course.
- 3 Follow the magenta line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.
- 4 If you are off course, follow the purple line (corrected course) to go to your destination, or steer back to the magenta line (direct course).

## Setting and Following a Course Using Auto Guidance

### ⚠ CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

- 1 Select a destination ([Destinations](#)).
- 2 Select **Navigate To > Guide To**.
- 3 Review the course indicated by the magenta Auto Guidance line.
- 4 Follow the magenta line, steering to avoid land, shallow water, and other obstacles.

**NOTE:** When using Auto Guidance, a gray segment within any part of the magenta line indicates that Auto Guidance cannot calculate part of the Auto Guidance line. This is due to the settings for minimum safe water depth and minimum safe obstacle height.

## Autopilot Navigation

When you start navigation (Go To, Route To, or Guide To), if you are connected through a NMEA 2000 network to a compatible Garmin autopilot, you are prompted to engage the autopilot.

### Recalculating the Auto Guidance Route

When navigating with Auto Guidance, select **Menu > Navigation Options > Recalculate Auto Guidance**.

## Stopping Navigation

While navigating, from the Navigation or Fishing chart, select an option:

- Select **Menu > Stop Navigation**.
- When navigating with Auto Guidance, select **Menu > Navigation Options > Stop Navigation**.

## Sonar

When properly connected to an optional Garmin sounder module and a transducer, your compatible chartplotter can be used as a fishfinder. There are different sonar views to help you view the fish in the area.

The adjustments you can make to each sonar view vary depending on the view you are in and the chartplotter model, sounder module, and transducer you have connected.

## Sonar Views

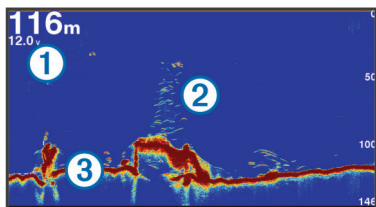
The sonar views available vary depending on the type of transducer and optional sounder module connected to the chartplotter. For example, you can view the Split Frequency view only if you have a dual-frequency transducer connected.

There are four basic styles of sonar views available: a full-screen view, a split-screen view that combines two or more views, a split-zoom view, and a split-frequency view that displays two different frequencies. You can customize the settings for each view in the screen. For example, if you are viewing the split-frequency view, you can adjust the gain for each of the frequencies separately.

If you do not see an arrangement of sonar views to suit your needs, you can create a custom screen ([Customizing the Layout of a Page](#)).

### Full-Screen Sonar View

There are several full-screen views available, depending on the equipment connected. The full-screen sonar views show a large image of the sonar readings from a transducer. The range scale along the right side of the screen shows the depth of detected objects as the screen scrolls from the right to the left.



①	Depth information
②	Suspended targets or fish
③	Bottom of the body of water

### DownVü Sonar View

**NOTE:** Not all models support DownVü sonar technology and transducers.

**NOTE:** To receive DownVü scanning sonar, you need a compatible chartplotter or fishfinder and a compatible transducer.

DownVü high-frequency sonar provides a clearer picture below the boat, providing a more detailed representation of structures the boat is passing over.

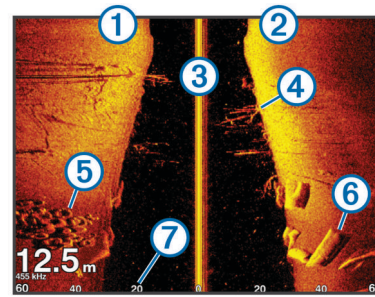
Traditional transducers emit a conical beam. The DownVü scanning sonar technology emits a narrow beam, similar to the shape of the beam in a copying machine. This beam provides a clearer, picture-like image of what is beneath the boat.

### SideVü Sonar View

**NOTE:** Not all models support SideVü sonar and scanning transducers.

**NOTE:** To receive SideVü scanning sonar, you need a compatible chartplotter, a compatible sounder module, and a compatible transducer.

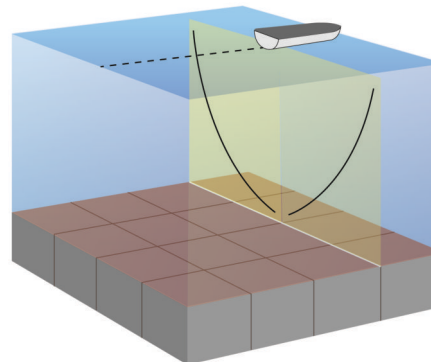
SideVü scanning sonar technology shows you a picture of what lies to the sides of the boat. You can use this as a search tool to find structures and fish.



①	Left side of the boat
②	Right side of the boat
③	The transducer on your vessel
④	Trees
⑤	Old tires
⑥	Logs
⑦	Distance from the side of the boat

### SideVü/DownVü Scanning Technology

Instead of a more common conical beam, the SideVü/DownVü transducer uses a flat beam to scan the water and ground to the sides of your boat.



### Split-Zoom Sonar View

The split-zoom sonar view shows a full-view graph of sonar readings, and a magnified portion of that graph, on the same screen.

### Split-Frequency Sonar View

In the split-frequency sonar view, one side of the screen shows a full-view graph of high frequency sonar data, and the other side of the screen shows a full-view graph of lower frequency sonar data.

**NOTE:** The split-frequency sonar view requires the use of a dual-frequency transducer.

### Changing the Sonar View

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu**.
- 2 Select **Edit Combo** or **Edit Layout**.
- 3 Select a sonar view.

### Creating a Waypoint on the Sonar Screen

- 1 From a sonar view, select a location.
- 2 Select **New Wpt**.
- 3 If necessary, edit the waypoint information.

### Viewing Sonar History

You can scroll the sonar display to view historical sonar data.

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Pause Sonar**.
- 2 Drag the screen or use the arrow keys.

## Pausing the Sonar Display

From a Sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Pause Sonar**.

## Viewing Sonar History

You can scroll the sonar display to view historical sonar data.

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Pause Sonar**.
- 2 Drag the screen or use the arrow keys.

## Sonar Sharing

This feature may not be available on all chartplotter models.

You can view the sonar data from all compatible sources on the Garmin Marine Network. You can view sonar data from a compatible external sonar module, such as a GCV™ sonar module. In addition, you can view the sonar data from other chartplotters that have a built-in sonar module.

Each chartplotter on the network can display sonar data from every compatible sonar module and transducer on the network, no matter where the chartplotters and transducers are mounted on your boat. For example, from the GPSMAP 8212 mounted at the back of the boat, you can view the sonar data from an echoMAP™ 70dv mounted at the front of your boat.

Chartplotters can only display sonar types they are compatible with. For example, the echoMAP 50dv and GPSMAP 547 can display traditional and DownVü data, but not SideVü data.

When sharing sonar data, the values of some sonar settings, such as **Range** and **Gain** are synchronized across the devices on the network. The values of other sonar settings, such as the **Appearance** settings, are not synchronized and should be configured on each individual device. In addition, the scroll rates of the various traditional and DownVü sonar views are synchronized to make the split views more cohesive.

**NOTE:** Using multiple transducers simultaneously can create cross talk, which can be removed by adjusting the **Interference** sonar setting.

### Selecting a Sonar Source

This feature may not be available with all models.

When you are using more than one sonar data source for a particular sonar view, you can select the source to use for that sonar view. For example, if you have two sources for DownVü, you can select the source to use from the DownVü sonar view.

- 1 Open the sonar view for which you will change the source.
- 2 Select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Source**.
- 3 Select the source for this sonar view.

### Renaming a Sonar Source

You can rename a sonar source to easily identify that source. For example, you use "Bow" as the name of the transducer on the bow of your boat.

The source is renamed for the present view only. For example, to rename the DownVü sonar source, you must open the DownVü sonar view.

- 1 From the sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Source > Rename Sonar Source**.
- 2 Enter the name.

## Adjusting the Level of Detail

You can control the level of detail and noise shown on the sonar screen either by adjusting the gain for traditional transducers, or by adjusting the brightness for DownVü and SideVü/DownVü transducers.

If you want to see the highest intensity signal returns on the screen, you can lower the gain or brightness to remove lower intensity returns and noise. If you want to see all return

information, you can increase the gain or brightness to see more information on the screen. This also increases noise, and can make it more difficult to recognize actual returns.

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu**.
- 2 Select **Gain** or **Brightness**.
- 3 Select an option:
  - To increase or decrease the gain or brightness manually, select **Up** or **Down**.
  - To allow the chartplotter to adjust the gain or brightness automatically, select an automatic option.

## Adjusting the Color Intensity

You can adjust the intensity of colors and highlight areas of interest on the sonar screen by adjusting the color gain for traditional transducers or the contrast for DownVü and SideVü/DownVü transducers. This setting works best after you have adjusted the level of detail shown on the screen using the gain or brightness settings.

If you want to highlight smaller fish targets or create a higher intensity display of a target, you can increase the color gain or contrast setting. This causes a loss in the differentiation of the high intensity returns at the bottom. If you want to reduce the intensity of the return, you can reduce the color gain or contrast.

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - While in the DownVü or SideVü sonar view, select **Contrast**.
  - While in another sonar view, select **Sonar Setup > Advanced > Color Gain**.
- 3 Select an option:
  - To increase or decrease the color intensity manually, select **Up** or **Down**.
  - To use the default setting, select **Default**.

## Adjusting the Range of the Depth or Width Scale

You can adjust the range of the depth scale traditional and DownVü sonar views and the range of the width scale for the SideVü sonar view.

Allowing the device to adjust the range automatically keeps the bottom within the lower or outer third of the sonar screen, and can be useful for tracking a bottom that has minimal or moderate terrain changes.

Manually adjusting the range enables you to view a specified range, which can be useful for tracking a bottom that has large terrain changes, such as a drop-offs or cliffs. The bottom can appear on the screen as long as it appears within the range you have set.

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Range**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To allow the chartplotter to adjust the range automatically, select **Auto**.
  - To increase or decrease the range manually, select **Up** or **Down**.

**TIP:** From the sonar screen, you can select **+** or **-** to manually adjust the range.

## Setting the Zoom Level on the Sonar Screen

- 1 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Zoom**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To zoom in on the sonar data from the bottom depth, select **Bottom Lock**.

**NOTE:** When the bottom lock feature is enabled, the **Range** feature changes to **Span**.

- To set the depth range of the magnified area manually, select **Set Zoom**, select **View Up** or **View Down** to set the depth range of the magnified area, and select **Zoom In** or **Zoom Out** to increase or decrease the magnification of the magnified area.
- To set the depth and zoom automatically, select **Set Zoom > Auto**.
- To cancel the zoom, select **No Zoom**.

## Setting the Scroll Speed

You can set the rate at which the sonar image moves across the screen. A higher scroll speed shows more detail, especially while moving or trolling. A lower scroll speed displays sonar information on the screen longer. Setting the scroll speed on one sonar view applies to all the sonar views.

**1** From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Scroll Speed**.

**2** Select an option:

- To adjust the scroll speed automatically using speed-over-ground or water speed data, select **Auto**.

The Auto setting selects a scroll rate to match the boat speed, so targets in the water are drawn with the correct aspect ratio and appear less distorted. When viewing DownVü or SideVü sonar views, it is recommend to use the Auto setting.

- To use a very fast scroll speed, select **Ultrascroll®**.

The Ultrascroll option quickly scrolls new sonar data, but with a reduced image quality. For most situations, the Fast option provides a good balance between a quickly scrolling image and targets that are less distorted.

## Sonar Frequencies

**NOTE:** The frequencies available depend on the chartplotter, sounder modules, and transducer being used.

Adjusting the frequency helps adapt the sonar for your particular goals and the present depth of the water.

Higher frequencies use narrow beam widths, and are better for high-speed operation and rough sea conditions. Bottom definition and thermocline definition can be better when using a higher frequency.

Lower frequencies use wider beam widths, which can let the fisherman see more targets, but could also generate more surface noise and reduce bottom signal continuity during rough sea conditions. Wider beam widths generate larger arches for fish target returns, making them ideal for locating fish. Wider beam widths also perform better in deep water, because the lower frequency has better deep water penetration.

Chirp frequencies allow you to sweep each pulse through a range of frequencies, resulting in better target separation in deep water. Chirp can be used to distinctly identify targets, like individual fish in a school, and for deep water applications. Chirp generally performs better than single frequency applications. Because some fish targets may show up better using a fixed frequency, you should consider your goals and water conditions when using Chirp.

Some sonar black boxes and transducers also provide the ability to customize preset frequencies for each transducer element, which enables you to change the frequency quickly using the presets as the water and your goals change.

Viewing two frequencies concurrently using the split-frequency view allows you to see deeper with the lower frequency return and, at the same time, see more detail from the higher frequency return.

## Selecting Frequencies

**NOTE:** You cannot adjust the frequency for all sonar views and transducers.

You can indicate which frequencies appear on the sonar screen.

**1** From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Frequency**.

**2** Select a frequency suited to your needs and water depth.

For more information on frequencies, see [Sonar Frequencies](#).

## Creating a Frequency Preset

**NOTE:** Not available with all transducers.

You can create a preset to save a specific sonar frequency, which allows you to change frequencies quickly.

**1** From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Frequency**.

**2** Select **Manage Frequencies > New Preset**.

**3** Enter a frequency.

## Turning On the A-Scope

**NOTE:** This feature is not available in all sonar views.

The a-scope is a vertical flasher along the right side of the full-screen sonar view. This feature expands the most recently received sonar data so that it is easier to see. It can also be helpful for detecting fish that are close to the bottom.

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Appearance > A-Scope > On**.

## Selecting the Transducer Type

Before you can select the transducer type, you must know what kind of transducer you have.

If you are connecting a transducer that was not included with the chartplotter, you may need to set the transducer type to make the sonar function properly. If the device automatically detected your transducer, this option does not appear.

**1** From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Setup > Installation > Transducer Type**.

**2** Select an option:

- If you have a 200/77 kHz, dual-beam transducer, select **Dual Beam**.
- If you have a 200/50 kHz, dual-frequency transducer, select **Dual Frequency**.
- If you have another type of transducer, select it from the list.

## Sonar Setup

**NOTE:** Not all options and settings apply to all models, sounder modules, and transducers.

### Sonar Settings

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup**.

**Scroll Speed:** Sets the rate at which the sonar scrolls from right to left ([Setting the Scroll Speed](#)).

In shallow water, you can select a slower scroll speed to extend the length of time the information is displayed on screen. In deeper water, you can select a faster scroll speed. Automatic scroll speed adjusts the scrolling speed to the speed the boat is traveling.

**Noise Reject:** Reduces the interference and the amount of clutter shown on the sonar screen ([Sonar Noise Rejection Settings](#)).

**Appearance:** Configures the appearance of the sonar screen ([Sonar Appearance Settings](#)).

**Alarms:** Sets sonar alarms ([Sonar Alarm Settings](#)).

**Advanced:** Configures various sonar display and data source settings ([Advanced Sonar Settings](#)).

**Installation:** Configures the transducer ([Transducer Installation Settings](#)).

### Sonar Noise Rejection Settings

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Noise Reject**.

**Interference:** Adjusts the sensitivity to reduce the effects of interference from nearby sources of noise.

The lowest interference setting that achieves the desired improvement should be used to remove interference from the screen. Correcting installation issues that cause noise is the best way to eliminate interference.

**Color Limit:** Hides part of the color palette to help eliminate fields of weak clutter.

By setting the color limit to the color of the undesired returns, you can eliminate the display of undesired returns on the screen.

**Smoothing:** Removes noise that is not part of a normal sonar return, and adjusts the appearance of returns, such as the bottom.

When smoothing is set to high, more of the low-level noise remains than when using the interference control, but the noise is more subdued because of averaging. Smoothing can remove speckle from the bottom. Smoothing and interference work well together to eliminate low-level noise. You can adjust the interference and smoothing settings incrementally to remove undesirable noise from the display.

**Surface Noise:** Hides surface noise to help reduce clutter. Wider beam widths (lower frequencies) can show more targets, but can generate more surface noise.

**TVG:** Adjusts the time varying gain, which can reduce noise.

This control is best used for situations when you want to control and suppress clutter or noise near the water surface. It also allows for the display of targets near the surface that are otherwise hidden or masked by surface noise.

### Sonar Appearance Settings

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Appearance**.

**Color:** Sets the color scheme and color gain.

**Overlay Data:** Sets the data shown on the sonar screen.

**A-Scope:** Displays a vertical flasher along the right side of the screen that shows instantaneously the range to targets along a scale.

**Depth Line:** Shows a quick-reference depth line.

**Edge:** Highlights the strongest signal from the bottom to help define the hardness or softness of the signal.

**Pic. Advance:** Allows the sonar picture to advance faster by drawing more than one column of data on the screen for each column of sounder data received. This is especially helpful when you are using the sounder in deep water, because the sonar signal takes longer to travel to the water bottom and back to the transducer.

The 1/1 setting draws one column of information on the screen per sounder return. The 2/1 setting draws two columns of information on the screen per sounder return, and so on for the 4/1 and 8/1 settings.

**Range Lines:** Shows the vertical lines indicating the distance to the right and left of the boat. Available for SideVü sonar view.

### Sonar Alarm Settings

**NOTE:** Some settings require external accessories.

Select **Settings > Alarms > Sonar**.

**Shallow Water:** Sets an alarm to sound when the depth is less than the specified value.

**Deep Water:** Sets an alarm to sound when the depth is greater than the specified value.

**Water Temp.:** Sets an alarm to sound when the transducer reports a temperature that is 2°F (1.1°C) above or below the specified temperature.

**Contour:** Sets an alarm to sound when the transducer detects a suspended target within the specified depth from the surface of the water and from the bottom.

**Fish Alarm:** Sets an alarm to sound when the transducer detects a suspended target within the specified depth range and the specified color range.

### Advanced Sonar Settings

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Advanced**.

**Transmit:** Stops the transducer from transmitting.

**Shift:** Allows you to set the depth range on which the sonar is focused. This allows you to zoom in a higher resolution in the focused depth.

When using shift, bottom tracking may not work effectively, because the sonar looks for data within the depth range of the focused area, which may not include the bottom. Using shift also can impact the scroll speed, because data outside the depth range of the focused area is not processed, which reduces the time required to receive and display the data. You can zoom in to the focused area, which enables you to evaluate target returns more closely at a higher resolution than just zooming alone.

**Echo Stretch:** Adjusts the size of the echoes on the screen to make it easier to see separate returns on the screen.

When targets are difficult to see, echo stretch makes the target returns more pronounced and easier to see on the screen. If the echo stretch value is too high, the targets blend together, and if the value is too low, the targets might be small and difficult to see.

You can use echo stretch and filter width together to obtain the preferable resolution and noise reduction. With echo stretch and filter width set to low, the display has the highest resolution, but is the most susceptible to noise. With echo stretch set to high and filter width set to low, the display has a lower resolution, but has wider targets. With echo stretch and filter width set to high, the display has the lowest resolution, but is the least susceptible to noise. It is not recommended to set echo stretch to low and filter width to high.

**Bottom Track:** Sets the frequency used for determining depth.

The bottom tracking control allows you to select the specific channel that is used to track the bottom. For example, you can set the bottom tracking for the low frequency for deep water operation.

**Temp. Source:** Sets the channel for the water temperature log when more than one water-temperature sensor or temperature-capable transducer is connected.

### Transducer Installation Settings

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Sonar Menu > Sonar Setup > Installation**.

**Transmit Rate:** Sets the length of time between sonar pings. Increasing the transmit rate increases the scroll speed, but it may also increase self-interference.

Reducing the transmit rate increases the spacing between transmit pulses and can resolve self-interference.

**Transmit Power:** Reduces transducer ringing near the surface. A lower transmit power value reduces transducer ringing.

**Filter Width:** Defines the edges of the target. A shorter filter defines the edges of the targets, but may allow more noise. A longer filter creates softer target edges, and may also reduce noise.

**Transducer Diagnostics:** Shows details about the transducer.

**Flip Left/Right:** Changes the SideVü view orientation from left to right.

## Sonar Recordings

### Recording the Sonar Display

**NOTE:** Not all models support sonar recording.

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 From a sonar view, select **Menu > Record Sonar**.  
15 minutes of sonar recording uses approximately 200 MB of space of the inserted memory card. You can record sonar until the card reaches capacity.

### Stopping the Sonar Recording

Before you can stop recording the sonar, you must begin recording it ([Recording the Sonar Display](#)).

From a sonar view, select **Menu > Stop Recording**.

### Deleting a Sonar Recording

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Sonar > Sonar Recordings**.
- 3 Select a recording.
- 4 Select **Delete**.

### Playing Sonar Recordings

Before you can play back the sonar recordings, you must download and install the HomePort™ application and record sonar data onto a memory card.

- 1 Remove the memory card from the device.
- 2 Insert the memory card into a card reader attached to a computer.
- 3 Open the HomePort application.
- 4 Select a sonar recording from your device list.
- 5 Right-click the sonar recording in the lower pane.
- 6 Select **Playback**.

## Radar

### WARNING

The marine radar transmits microwave energy that has the potential to be harmful to humans and animals. Before beginning radar transmission, verify that the area around the radar is clear. The radar transmits a beam approximately 12° above and below a line extending horizontally from the center of the radar. Avoid looking directly at the radar, because the eyes are the most susceptible parts of the body.

**NOTE:** Not all models support radar.

When you connect your compatible chartplotter to an optional Garmin marine radar, such as a GMR™ 1206 xHD or a GMR 24 HD, you can view more information about your surroundings.

The GMR transmits a narrow beam of microwave energy as it rotates to a 360° pattern. When the transmitted energy contacts a target, some of that energy is reflected back to the radar.

## Radar Display Modes

**NOTE:** Not all modes are available with all radar devices and all chartplotters.

Select **Radar > Menu > Radar Menu > Change Radar**, and select a mode.

**Cruising Mode:** Shows a full-screen image of the gathered radar information.

**Harbor Mode:** Intended for use in inland waters, this mode works best with short-range signals (2 nm or less).

**Offshore Mode:** Intended for use in open waters, this mode works best with long-range signals.

**Sentry Mode:** Allows you to put the radar into timed-transmit mode, in which you can configure a radar transmit and standby cycle to conserve power. You can also enable a guard zone in this mode, which identifies a safe zone around your boat. If you switch from Sentry mode to another mode, the radar switches to full-time transmission and disables all guard zones.

**Radar Overlay Mode:** Shows a full-screen image of the gathered radar information on top of the Navigation chart. The Radar overlay displays data based on the most recently used radar mode.

**Dual Range Mode:** Provides a side-by-side view of both short-range and long-range radar data.

## Changing the Radar Mode

- 1 From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Change Radar**.
- 2 Select a radar mode.

## Transmitting Radar Signals

**NOTE:** As a safety feature, the radar enters standby mode after it warms up. This gives you an opportunity to verify the area around the radar is clear before beginning radar transmission.

- 1 With the chartplotter off, connect your radar as described in the radar installation instructions.
- 2 Turn on the chartplotter.  
The radar warms up and a countdown alerts you when the radar is ready.
- 3 Select **Radar > Menu > Radar Menu > Change Radar**.
- 4 Select a radar mode.  
A countdown message appears while the radar is starting up.
- 5 Select **Menu > Transmit Radar**.

## Adjusting the Radar Range

The range of the radar signal indicates the length of the pulsed signal transmitted and received by the radar. As the range increases, the radar transmits longer pulses in order to reach distant targets. Closer targets, especially rain and waves, also reflect the longer pulses, which can add noise to the Radar screen. Viewing information about longer-range targets can also decrease the amount of space available on the Radar screen for viewing information about shorter-range targets.

- Select **+** to decrease the range.
- Select **-** to increase the range.

### Tips for Selecting a Radar Range

- Determine what information you need to see on the Radar screen.  
For example, do you need information about nearby weather conditions or targets and traffic, or are you more concerned about distant weather conditions?
- Assess the environmental conditions where the radar is being used.

Especially in inclement weather, longer-range radar signals can increase the clutter on the Radar screen and make it more difficult to view information about shorter-range targets. In rain, shorter-range radar signals can enable you to view information about nearby objects more effectively, if the rain clutter setting is configured optimally.

- Select the shortest effective range, given your reason for using radar and the present environmental conditions.

## Zooming In and Out of the Radar Screen

- Pinch two fingers together to zoom out.
- Spread two fingers apart to zoom in.
- Drag the screen to pan, and then select **+** or **-** to zoom, if necessary.

## Marking a Waypoint on the Radar Screen

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select a location.
- 2 Select **Create Waypoint**.

## Sentry Mode

Sentry mode allows you to put the radar into timed-transmit mode, in which you can configure a radar transmit and standby cycle to conserve power. You can also enable a guard zone in this mode, which identifies a safe zone around your boat and sounds an alarm when a radar object enters the zone. Sentry mode works with all Garmin GMR model radars.

### Enabling Timed Transmit

From the sentry screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Sentry Setup > Timed Transmit > On**.

### Setting the Standby and Transmit Times

Before you can set the standby and transmit times, you must enable timed transmit ([Enabling Timed Transmit](#)).

To help conserve power, you can indicate the radar standby time and the transmit time to implement periodic radar signal transmissions at set intervals.

- 1 From the sentry screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Sentry Setup**.
- 2 Select **Stdbby Time**.
- 3 Enter the time interval between radar signal transmissions.
- 4 Select **Transmit Time**.
- 5 Enter the duration of each radar signal transmission.

### Enabling a Guard Zone

From the sentry screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Sentry Setup > Enable Guard Zone**.

### Defining a Circular Guard Zone

Before you can define the boundaries of the guard zone, you must enable a guard zone ([Enabling a Guard Zone](#)).

You can define a circular guard zone that completely encompasses your boat.

- 1 From the sentry screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Sentry Setup > Adjust Guard Zone > Adjust Guard Zone > Circle**.
- 2 Select the location of the outer guard zone circle.
- 3 Select the location of the inner guard zone circle to define the width of the guard zone.

### Defining a Partial Guard Zone

You can define the boundaries of a guard zone that does not completely encompass your boat.

- 1 From the sentry screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Sentry Setup > Adjust Guard Zone > Adjust Guard Zone > Corner 1**.

- 2 Touch and drag the location of the outer guard-zone corner **1**.



- 3 Select **Corner 2**.
- 4 Touch the location of the inner guard-zone corner **2** to define the width of the guard zone.

## Radar Targeting and MARPA

Radar targeting enables you to identify and track objects.

Mini-automatic radar plotting aid (MARPA) is primarily used for collision avoidance. To use MARPA, you assign a MARPA tag to a target. The radar system automatically tracks the tagged object and provides you with information about the object, including the range, bearing, speed, GPS heading, nearest approach, and time to nearest approach. MARPA indicates the status of each tagged object (acquiring, lost, tracking, or dangerous), and the chartplotter can sound a collision alarm if the object enters your safe zone.

### MARPA Targeting Symbols

	Acquiring a target. Concentric, dashed green rings radiate from the target while the radar is locking onto it.
	Target has been acquired. A solid green ring indicates the location of a target that the radar has locked onto. A dashed green line attached to the circle indicates the projected course over ground or the GPS heading of the target.
	Dangerous target is in range. A red ring flashes from the target while an alarm sounds and a message banner appears. After the alarm has been acknowledged, a solid red dot with a dashed red line attached to it indicates the location and the projected course over ground or the GPS heading of the target. If the safe-zone collision alarm has been set to Off, the target flashes, but the audible alarm does not sound and the alarm banner does not appear.
	Target has been lost. A solid green ring with an X through it indicates that the radar could not lock onto the target.
	Closest point of approach and time to closest point of approach to a dangerous target.

### Assigning a MARPA Tag to an Object

Before you can use MARPA, you must have a heading sensor connected and an active GPS signal. The heading sensor must provide the NMEA 2000 parameter group number (PGN) 127250 or the NMEA® 0183 HDM or HDG output sentence.

- 1 From the Harbor, Offshore, or Cruising Radar screen, select an object or location.
- 2 Select **Acquire Target > MARPA Target**.

### Viewing Information about a MARPA-tagged Object

You can view the range, bearing, speed, and other information about a MARPA-tagged object.

- 1 From a radar screen, select a targeted object.
- 2 Select **MARPA Target**.

### Removing a MARPA Tag from a Targeted Object

- 1 From the Radar screen, select a MARPA target.
- 2 Select **MARPA Target > Remove**.

### Viewing a List of AIS and MARPA Threats

From any Radar screen or the Radar overlay, you can view and customize the appearance of a list of AIS and MARPA threats.

- 1 From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Other Vessels > AIS & MARPA List > Show**.
- 2 Select the type of threats to include in the list.

### Showing AIS Vessels on the Radar Screen

AIS requires the use of an external AIS device and active transponder signals from other vessels.

You can configure how other vessels appear on the Radar screen. If any setting (except the AIS display range) is configured for one radar mode, the setting is applied to every other radar mode. The details and projected heading settings configured for one radar mode are applied to every other radar mode and to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Other Vessels > Display Setup**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To indicate the distance from your location within which AIS vessels appear, select **Display Range**, and select a distance.
  - To show details about AIS-activated vessels, select **Details > Show**.
  - To set the projected heading time for AIS-activated vessels, select **Projected Heading**, and enter the time.

### VRM and EBL

The variable range marker (VRM) and the electronic bearing line (EBL) measure the distance and bearing from your boat to a target object. On the Radar screen, the VRM appears as a circle that is centered on the present location of your boat, and the EBL appears as a line that begins at the present location of your boat and intersects the VRM. The point of intersection is the target of the VRM and the EBL.

#### Showing the VRM and the EBL

The VRM and the EBL configured for one mode are applied to other radar modes.

**NOTE:** The VRM and the EBL cannot be changed in sentry mode.

From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Show VRM/EBL**.

#### Adjusting the VRM and the EBL

Before you can adjust the VRM and the EBL, you must show them on the Radar screen ([Showing the VRM and the EBL](#)).

You can adjust the diameter of the VRM and the angle of the EBL, which moves the intersection point of the VRM and the EBL. The VRM and the EBL configured for one mode are applied to all other radar modes.

- 1 From a Radar screen, select a new location for the intersection point of the VRM and the EBL.
- 2 Select **Drop VRM/EBL**.
- 3 Select **Stop Pointing**.

#### Measuring the Range and Bearing to a Target Object

Before you can adjust the VRM and the EBL, you must show them on the Radar screen ([Showing the VRM and the EBL](#)).

- 1 From a Radar screen, select the target location.
- 2 Select **Measure Distance**.

The range and the bearing to the target location appear in the upper-left corner of the screen.

### Radar Overlay

When you connect your chartplotter to an optional Garmin marine radar, you can use the Radar overlay to overlay radar information on the Navigation chart or on the Fishing chart.

The Radar overlay superimposes radar information on the Navigation chart or the Fishing chart. Data appears on the Radar overlay based on the most recently used radar mode

(such as Harbor, Offshore, or Sentry), and all settings configurations applied to the Radar overlay are also applied to the last-used radar mode. For example, if you use Harbor mode and then you switch to the Radar overlay, the Radar overlay would show Harbor mode radar data. If you changed the gain setting using the Radar overlay menu, the gain setting for Harbor mode would change automatically.

### Radar Overlay and Chart Data Alignment

When using the Radar overlay, the chartplotter aligns radar data with chart data based on the boat heading, which is based by default on data from a magnetic heading sensor connected using a NMEA 0183 or NMEA 2000 network. If a heading sensor is not available, the boat heading is based on GPS tracking data.

GPS tracking data indicates the direction in which the boat is moving, not the direction in which the boat is pointing. If the boat is drifting backward or sideways due to a current or wind, the Radar overlay may not perfectly align with the chart data. This situation should be avoided by using boat-heading data from an electronic compass.

If the boat heading is based on data from a magnetic heading sensor or an automatic pilot, the heading data could be compromised due to incorrect setup, mechanical malfunction, magnetic interference, or other factors. If the heading data is compromised, the Radar overlay may not align perfectly with the chart data.

### Showing the Radar Overlay


The Radar overlay displays data based on the most recently used radar mode.

From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Change Radar > Radar Overlay**.

The radar picture appears in orange and overlays the Navigation chart.

### Stopping the Transmission of Radar Signals

From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Radar to Standby**.

**TIP:** Press  from any screen to quickly stop radar transmission.

### Optimizing the Radar Display

You can adjust the radar display settings for reduced clutter and increased accuracy.

**NOTE:** You can optimize the radar display for each radar mode.

- 1 Select a radar range ([Adjusting the Radar Range](#)).
- 2 Restore the default value of the gain setting ([Adjusting Gain on the Radar Screen Automatically](#)).
- 3 Adjust the gain setting manually ([Adjusting Gain on the Radar Screen Manually](#)).

### Radar Gain and Clutter

#### Adjusting Gain on the Radar Screen Automatically

The automatic gain setting for each radar mode is optimized for that mode, and may differ from the automatic gain setting used for another mode.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the gain setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

**NOTE:** Not all options and settings are available on all radar and chartplotter models.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Gain**.
- 2 Select an available option:
  - Select **Auto**.



The chartplotter sets the gain automatically once, based on average conditions, the range of the radar signal, and the selected radar mode. The chartplotter does not adjust the gain automatically in response to changing conditions.

- Select **Harbor** or **Offshore**.

The chartplotter automatically adjusts the gain for the conditions.

### **Adjusting Gain on the Radar Screen Manually**

For optimal radar performance, you can manually adjust the gain.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the gain setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Gain**.
- 2 Select **Up** to raise the gain, until light speckles appear across the Radar screen.

Data on the Radar screen is refreshed every few seconds. As a result, the effects of manually adjusting the gain may not appear instantly. Adjust the gain slowly.

- 3 Select **Down** to lower the gain until the speckles disappear.
- 4 If boats, land, or other targets are within range, select **Down** to lower the gain until the targets begin to blink.
- 5 Select **Up** to raise the gain until the boats, land, or other targets appear steadily lit on the Radar screen.
- 6 Minimize the appearance of nearby large objects, if necessary.
- 7 Minimize the appearance of side-lobe echoes, if necessary.

### **Minimizing Nearby Large-Object Interference**

Nearby targets of significant size, such as jetty walls, can cause a very bright image of the target to appear on the Radar screen. This image can obscure smaller targets located near it.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the gain setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Gain**.
- 2 Select **Down** to lower the gain until the smaller targets are clearly visible on the Radar screen.

Reducing the gain to eliminate nearby large-object interference may cause smaller or distant targets to blink or disappear from the Radar screen.

### **Minimizing Side-Lobe Interference on the Radar Screen**

Side-lobe interference may appear to streak outward from a target in a semi-circular pattern. Side-lobe effects can be avoided by reducing the gain or reducing the radar range.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the gain setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Gain**.
- 2 Select **Down** to lower the gain until the semi-circular, streaked pattern disappears from the Radar screen.

Reducing the gain to eliminate side-lobe interference may cause smaller or distant targets to blink or disappear from the Radar screen.

### **Adjusting Sea Clutter on the Radar Screen Automatically**

You can set the chartplotter to automatically adjust the appearance of clutter caused by choppy sea conditions.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the sea clutter setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the radar overlay.

**NOTE:** Not all options and settings are available on all radar and chartplotter models.

- 1 From a radar screen or the radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Noise Rejection > Sea Clutter**.
- 2 Select **Presets** or **Auto**.
- 3 Select a setting that reflects the present sea conditions.

When using a compatible radar model, the chartplotter adjusts the sea clutter based on the sea conditions automatically.

### **Adjusting Rain Clutter on the Radar Screen**

You can adjust the appearance of clutter caused by rain. Reducing the radar range also can minimize rain clutter ([Zooming In and Out of the Radar Screen](#)).

The rain clutter setting affects the appearance of nearby rain clutter and targets more than it affects the appearance of distant rain clutter and targets. A higher rain clutter setting reduces the appearance of clutter caused by nearby rain, but it can also reduce or eliminate the appearance of nearby targets.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the rain clutter settings configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Noise Rejection > Rain Clutter**.
- 2 Select **Up** or **Down** to decrease or increase the appearance of nearby rain clutter until other targets are clearly visible on the Radar screen.

Clutter caused by rain may still be visible.

### **Reducing Cross Talk Clutter on the Radar Screen**

You can reduce the appearance of clutter caused by interference from another nearby radar source, when the cross talk reject setting is on.

**NOTE:** Depending upon the radar in use, the cross talk reject setting configured for use in one radar mode may or may not be applied to other radar modes or to the Radar overlay.

From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Noise Rejection > Cross Talk Reject**.

### **Radar Display Settings**

From any Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Radar Setup**.

**Orientation:** Sets the perspective of the radar display. The orientation setting applies to every radar mode. This setting does not apply to the Radar overlay.

**Appearance:** Sets the color scheme, look-ahead speed, and navigation appearance.

**Front of Boat:** Compensates for the physical location of the radar scanner on a boat, if the radar scanner does not align with the bow-stern axis.

### **Radar Appearance Settings**

From a Radar screen, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Radar Setup > Appearance**.

**NOTE:** These settings do not apply to the Radar overlay.

**Color Scheme:** Sets the color scheme.

**Look-Ahead Speed:** Shifts your present location toward the bottom of the screen automatically as your speed increases. Enter your top speed for the best results.

**Heading Line:** Shows an extension from the bow of the boat in the direction of travel on the radar screen.

**Rings:** Shows the range rings that help you to visualize distances on the radar screen.

**Nav. Lines:** Shows the navigation lines that indicate the course you have set using Route To, Guide To, or Go To.

**Waypoints:** Shows waypoints on the radar screen.

## Front-of-Boat Offset

The front-of-boat offset compensates for the physical location of the radar scanner on a boat, if the radar scanner does not align with the bow-stern axis.

### Measuring the Potential Front-of-Boat Offset

The front-of-boat offset compensates for the physical location of the radar scanner on a boat, if the radar scanner does not align with the bow-stern axis.

- 1 Using a magnetic compass, take an optical bearing of a stationary target located within viewable range.
- 2 Measure the target bearing on the radar.
- 3 If the bearing deviation is more than +/- 1°, set the front-of-boat offset.

### Setting the Front-of-Boat Offset

Before you can set the front-of-boat offset, you must measure the potential front-of-boat offset.

The front-of-boat offset setting configured for use in one radar mode is applied to every other radar mode and to the Radar overlay.

- 1 From a Radar screen or the Radar overlay, select **Menu > Radar Menu > Radar Setup > Front of Boat**.
- 2 Select **Up** or **Down** to adjust the offset.

## Autopilot

### ⚠ WARNING

You can use the autopilot feature only at a station installed next to a helm, throttle, and helm control device.

You are responsible for the safe and prudent operation of your vessel. The autopilot is a tool that enhances your capability to operate your boat. It does not relieve you of the responsibility of safely operating your boat. Avoid navigational hazards and never leave the helm unattended.

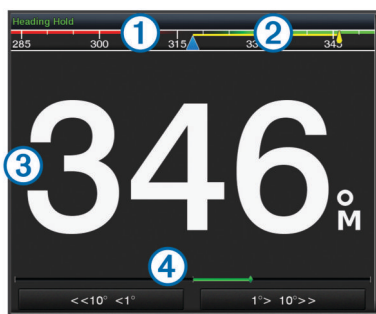
Always be prepared to promptly regain manual control of your boat.

Learn to operate the autopilot on calm and hazard-free open water.

Use caution when operating the autopilot near hazards in the water, such as docks, pilings, and other boats.

The autopilot system continuously adjusts the steering of your boat to maintain a constant heading (heading hold). The system also allows manual steering and several modes of automatic-steering functions and patterns.

## Autopilot Screen



①	Actual heading
②	Intended heading (heading the autopilot is steering toward)
③	Actual heading (when in standby mode) Intended heading (when engaged)
④	Rudder position indicator (This functionality is available only when a rudder sensor is connected.)

## Engaging the Autopilot

When you engage the autopilot, the autopilot takes control of the helm and steers the boat to maintain your heading.

From any screen, select **Engage**.

Your intended heading shows in the center of the Autopilot screen.

### Adjusting the Heading with the Helm

**NOTE:** You must enable the Shadow Drive™ feature before you can adjust the heading using the helm ([Enabling Shadow Drive](#)).

With the autopilot engaged, manually steer the boat.

The autopilot activates Shadow Drive mode.

When you release the helm and manually maintain a specific heading for a few seconds, the autopilot resumes a heading hold at the new heading.

### Adjusting the Heading with the Chartplotter in Step Steering Mode

Before you can steer your boat using the keys at the bottom of the autopilot screen, you must engage the autopilot ([Engaging the Autopilot](#)).

- Select <1° or 1°> to initiate a single 1° turn.
- Select <<10° or 10°>> to initiate a single 10° turn.
- Hold <1° or 1°> to initiate a rate-controlled turn.  
The boat continues to turn until you let go of the key.
- Hold <<10° or 10°>> to initiate a sequence of 10° turns.

### Adjusting the Heading with the Chartplotter in Rudder Steering Mode

Before you can steer your boat using the keys at the bottom of the autopilot screen, you must engage the autopilot ([Engaging the Autopilot](#)).

- Select ◀ or ▶ to steer the boat in a single 1° turn.
- Hold ◀ or ▶ to steer the boat in a rate-controlled turn.  
The boat continues to turn until you let go of the key.

## Autopilot Settings

**NOTE:** Some settings and options are available only in power boat or sailing mode.

Before you can control the autopilot with the chartplotter or the helm control device, you must configure the autopilot using the helm control device. For more information about configuring the autopilot, see the instructions that came with the autopilot or the helm control device. There are some settings that you can configure using the chartplotter to suit your needs.

### Selecting the Steering Mode

Rudder steering mode turns the boat in 1° increments when you select a key.

Step steering mode turns the boat in increments of 10°. You can customize step turn size increments ([Adjusting the Step Steering Increment](#)).

- 1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu**.
- 2 Select **Steering Mode** to toggle between rudder steering mode and step steering mode.

**NOTE:** Rudder steering mode is for use only on power planing hull or power displacement hull boats.

### Adjusting the Step Steering Increment

- 1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Setup > Steering Mode > Step Turn Size**.
- 2 Select an increment.

### Setting the Power Saver

You can adjust the level of rudder activity.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Power Saver**.

2 Select a percentage.

Selecting a higher percentage reduces rudder activity at the expense of heading performance. The higher the percentage, the more the course deviates before the autopilot corrects it.

**TIP:** In choppy conditions at low speeds, increasing the Power Saver percentage reduces rudder activity.

### Enabling Shadow Drive

**NOTE:** The Shadow Drive feature is available only on hydraulic steering systems.

From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Shadow Drive > Enabled**.

### Adjusting Shadow Drive Sensitivity

Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Shadow Drive Sensitivity**.

### Direction Control

Direction control informs the autopilot which direction the boat is moving (forward or reverse) using the helm control.

#### Enabling Direction Control

1 Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Direction Control**.

2 Select **Enabled**.

#### Using Direction Control

Before you can use direction control, you must enable the direction control functionality ([Enabling Direction Control](#)).

When traveling in standby mode, select **Direction**.

Ⓢ appears in the upper-right corner.

## Steering Patterns

### ⚠ WARNING

You are responsible for the safe operation of your boat. Do not begin a pattern until you are certain that the water is clear of obstacles.

The autopilot can steer the boat in preset patterns for fishing, and it can also perform other specialty maneuvers such as U-turns and Williamson turns.

### Following the U-Turn Pattern

You can use the u-turn pattern to turn the boat around 180° and maintain the new heading.

1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > U-Turn > Engage**.

2 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Setting Up and Following the Circles Pattern

You can use the circles pattern to steer the boat in a continuous circle, in a specified direction, and at a specified time interval.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Circles**.

2 If necessary, select **Time**, and select a time for the autopilot to steer one complete circle.

3 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Setting Up and Following the Zigzag Pattern

You can use the zigzag pattern to steer the boat from port to starboard and back, over a specified time and angle, across your present heading.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Zigzag**.

2 If necessary, select **Amplitude**, and select a degree.

3 If necessary, select **Period**, and select a length of time.

4 Select **Engage Zigzag**.

### Following the Williamson Turn Pattern

You can use the Williamson turn pattern to steer the boat around with the intent of running alongside the location where the Williamson turn pattern was initiated. The Williamson turn pattern can be used in man overboard situations.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Williamson Turn**.

2 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Following an Orbit Pattern

You can use the orbit pattern to steer the boat in a continuous circle around the active waypoint. The size of the circle is defined by your distance from the active waypoint when you begin the orbit pattern.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Orbit**.

2 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Setting Up and Following the Cloverleaf Pattern

You can use the cloverleaf pattern to steer the boat to repeatedly pass over an active waypoint. When you begin the cloverleaf pattern, the autopilot drives the boat toward the active waypoint and begins the cloverleaf pattern.

You can adjust the distance between the waypoint and the location where the autopilot turns the boat for another pass over the waypoint. The default setting turns the boat at a range of 1000 ft. (300 m) from the active waypoint.

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Cloverleaf**.

2 If necessary, select **Length**, and select a distance.

3 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Setting Up and Following a Search Pattern

You can use the search pattern to steer the boat in increasingly larger circles outward from the active waypoint, forming a spiral pattern. When you begin the search pattern, the autopilot drives the boat to the active waypoint and begins the pattern.

You can adjust the distance between each circle in the spiral. The default distance between circles is 50 ft. (20 m).

1 From the Autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Pattern Steering > Search**.

2 If necessary, select **Search Spacing**, and select a distance.

3 Select **Engage Port** or **Engage Starboard**.

### Canceling a Steering Pattern

- Physically steer the boat.

**NOTE:** Shadow Drive must be enabled to cancel a steering pattern by physically steering the boat.

- Select ◀ or ▶ to cancel a pattern using step steering mode.

- Select **Standby**.

## Sailboat Autopilot Operation

### ⚠ CAUTION

When engaged, the autopilot controls only the rudder. You and your crew remain responsible for the sails while the autopilot is engaged.

In addition to heading hold, you can use the autopilot to maintain a wind hold. You can also use the autopilot to control the rudder while tacking and gybing.

### Wind Hold

You can set the autopilot to maintain a specific bearing relative to the current wind angle. Your device must be connected to a

NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 compatible wind sensor to perform a wind hold or a wind-based tack or gybe.

### Setting the Wind Hold Type

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

For advanced autopilot configuration, see the installation instructions included with your autopilot.

- 1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Wind Hold Type**.
- 2 Select **Apparent** or **True**.

### Engaging Wind Hold

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

When the autopilot is in standby mode, select **Wind Hold**.

### Engaging Wind Hold from Heading Hold

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

With heading hold engaged, select **Menu > Wind Hold**.

### Adjusting the Wind Hold Angle with the Autopilot

You can adjust the wind hold angle on the autopilot when wind hold is engaged.

- To adjust the wind hold angle in increments of 1°, select ◀ or ▶.
- To adjust the wind hold angle in increments of 10°, hold ◀ or ▶.

### Tack and Gybe

You can set the autopilot to perform a tack or gybe while heading hold or wind hold is engaged.

#### Tacking and Gybing from Heading Hold

- 1 Engage heading hold ([Engaging the Autopilot](#)).
- 2 Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Tack Gybe**.
- 3 Select a direction.

The autopilot steers your boat through a tack or gybe.

#### Tacking and Gybing from Wind Hold

Before you can engage wind hold, you must have a wind sensor installed.

- 1 Engage wind hold ([Engaging Wind Hold](#)).
- 2 Select **Menu > Tack Gybe**.
- 3 Select **Tack** or **Gybe**.

The autopilot steers your boat through a tack or gybe, and information about the progress of the tack or gybe appears on the screen.

### Setting a Tack and Gybe Delay

The tack and gybe delay allows you to delay steering a tack and gybe after you initiate the maneuver.

- 1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Sailing Setup > Tack Delay**.
- 2 Select the length of the delay.
- 3 If necessary, select **Done**.

### Enabling the Gybe Inhibitor

**NOTE:** The gybe inhibitor does not prevent you from manually performing a gybe using the helm or step steering.

The gybe inhibitor prevents the autopilot from performing a gybe.

- 1 Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Sailing Setup > Gybe Inhibitor**.
- 2 Select **Enabled**.

## Digital Selective Calling

### Networked Chartplotter and VHF Radio Functionality

If you have a NMEA 0183 VHF radio or a NMEA 2000 VHF radio connected to your chartplotter, these features are enabled.

- The chartplotter can transfer your GPS position to your radio. If your radio is capable, GPS position information is transmitted with DSC calls.
- The chartplotter can receive digital selective calling (DSC) distress and position information from the radio.
- The chartplotter can track the positions of vessels sending position reports.

If you have a Garmin NMEA 2000 VHF radio connected to your chartplotter, these features are also enabled.

- The chartplotter allows you to quickly set up and send individual routine call details to your Garmin VHF radio.
- When you initiate a man-overboard distress call from your radio, the chartplotter shows the man-overboard screen and prompts you to navigate to the man-overboard point.
- When you initiate a man-overboard distress call from your chartplotter, the radio shows the Distress Call page to initiate a man-overboard distress call.

### Turning On DSC

Select **Settings > Other Vessels > DSC**.

### DSC List

The DSC list is a log of the most recent DSC calls and other DSC contacts you have entered. The DSC list can contain up to 100 entries. The DSC list shows the most recent call from a boat. If a second call is received from the same boat, it replaces the first call in the call list.

### Viewing the DSC List

Before you can view the DSC list, the chartplotter must be connected to a VHF radio that supports DSC.

Select **Info > DSC List**.

### Adding a DSC Contact

You can add a vessel to your DSC list. You can make calls to a DSC contact from the chartplotter.

- 1 Select **Info > DSC List > Add Contact**.
- 2 Enter the Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) of the vessel.
- 3 Enter the name of the vessel.

### Incoming Distress Calls

If your compatible chartplotter and VHF radio are connected using NMEA 0183 or NMEA 2000, your chartplotter alerts you when your VHF radio receives a DSC distress call. If position information was sent with the distress call, that information is also available and recorded with the call.

■ designates a distress call in the DSC list and marks the position of the vessel on the Navigation chart at the time of the DSC distress call.

### Navigating to a Vessel in Distress

■ designates a distress call in the DSC list and marks the position of a vessel on the Navigation chart at the time of the DSC distress call.

- 1 Select **Info > DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review > Navigate To**.

- 4 Select **Go To** or **Route To**.

### Man-Overboard Distress Calls Initiated from a VHF Radio

When the chartplotter is connected to a compatible VHF radio with NMEA 2000, and you initiate a man-overboard DSC distress call from the radio, the chartplotter shows the man-overboard screen and prompts you to navigate to the man-overboard point. If you have a compatible autopilot system connected to the network, the chartplotter prompts you to start a Williamson's turn to the man-overboard point.

If you cancel the man-overboard distress call on the radio, the chartplotter screen prompting you to activate navigation to the man-overboard location disappears.

### Man-Overboard and SOS Distress Calls Initiated from the Chartplotter

When your chartplotter is connected to a Garmin NMEA 2000 compatible radio and you mark an SOS or man-overboard location, the radio shows the Distress Call page so you can quickly initiate a distress call.

For information on placing distress calls from your radio, see the VHF radio owner's manual. For information about marking an MOB or SOS location, see [Marking an SOS Location](#).

## Position Tracking

When you connect the chartplotter to a VHF radio using NMEA 0183, you can track vessels that send position reports.

This feature is also available with NMEA 2000, when the vessel sends the correct PGN data (PGN 129808; DSC Call Information).

Every position report call received is logged in the DSC list ([DSC List](#)).

### Viewing a Position Report

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To switch to a Navigation chart marking the location, select **Next Page**.
  - To view the position report details, select **Previous Page**.

### Navigating to a Tracked Vessel

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Navigate To**.
- 4 Select **Go To** or **Route To**.

### Creating a Waypoint at the Position of a Tracked Vessel

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Create Waypoint**.

### Editing Information in a Position Report

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Edit**.
  - To enter the name of the vessel, select **Name**.
  - To select a new symbol, select **Symbol**, if available.
  - To enter a comment, select **Comment**.
  - To show a trail line for the vessel if your radio is tracking the position of the vessel, select **Trail**.
  - To select a color for the trail line, select **Trail Line**.

### Deleting a Position-Report Call

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a position-report call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Clear Report**.

### Viewing Vessel Trails on the Chart

You can view trails for all tracked vessels on some chart views. By default, a black line indicates the path of the vessel, a black dot indicates each previously reported position of a tracked vessel, and a blue flag indicates the last reported position of the vessel.

- 1 From a chart or 3D chart view, select **Menu** > **Chart Setup** > **Other Vessels** > **DSC** > **DSC Trails**.
- 2 Select the number of hours to show tracked vessels on the chart.

For example, if you select **4 Hours**, all trail points that are less than four hours old appear for all tracked vessels.

## Individual Routine Calls

When you connect the chartplotter to a Garmin VHF radio, you can use the chartplotter interface to set up an individual routine call.

When setting up an individual routine call from your chartplotter, you can select the DSC channel on which you want to communicate. The radio transmits this request with your call.

### Selecting a DSC Channel

**NOTE:** The selection of a DSC channel is limited to those channels that are available in all frequency bands. The default channel is 72. If you select a different channel, the chartplotter uses that channel for subsequent calls until you call using another channel.

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a vessel or a station to call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Call with Radio** > **Channel**.
- 4 Select an available channel.

### Making an Individual Routine Call

**NOTE:** When initiating a call from the chartplotter, if the radio does not have an MMSI number programmed, the radio will not receive call information.

- 1 Select **Info** > **DSC List**.
- 2 Select a vessel or a station to call.
- 3 Select **Review** > **Call with Radio**.
- 4 If necessary, select **Channel**, and select a new channel.
- 5 Select **Send**.

The chartplotter sends information about the call to the radio.

- 6 On your Garmin VHF radio, select **Call**.

### Making an Individual Routine Call to an AIS Target

- 1 From a chart or 3D chart view, select an AIS target.
- 2 Select **AIS Vessel** > **Call with Radio**.
- 3 If necessary, select **Channel**, and select a new channel.
- 4 Select **Send**.

The chartplotter sends information about the call to the radio.

- 5 On your Garmin VHF radio, select **Call**.

## Gauges and Graphs

The gauges and graphs provide various information about the engine and environment. To view the information, a compatible transducer or sensor must be connected to the network.

## Viewing Engine and Fuel Gauges

Before you can view engine and fuel gauges, you must be connected to a NMEA 2000 network capable of sensing engine and fuel data. See the installation instructions for details.

Select **Info > Gauges**.

### Changing the Data Shown in a Gauge

- 1 From a gauges screen, hold a gauge.
- 2 Select a data type.
- 3 Select the data to display.

### Customizing Engine Gauge and Fuel Gauge Limits

You can configure the upper and lower limits and the range of desired standard operation of a gauge. When a value exceeds the range of standard operation, the gauge becomes red.

**NOTE:** Not all options are available for all gauges.

- 1 From the engine gauges screen, select **Menu > Gauge Setup > Set Gauge Limits**.
- 2 Select a gauge.
- 3 Select **Gauge Limits > Mode**.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To set the minimum value of the standard operating range, select **Rated Min..**
  - To set the maximum value of the standard operating range, select **Rated Max..**
  - To set the lower limit of the gauge lower than the rated minimum, select **Scale Min..**
  - To set the upper limit of the gauge higher than the rated maximum, select **Scale Max..**
- 5 Select the limit value.
- 6 Repeat steps 4 and 5 to set additional gauge limits.

### Enabling Status Alarms for Engine Gauges

You can enable the chartplotter to display engine status alarms.

From the engine gauges screen, select **Menu > Gauge Setup > Status Alarms > On**.

When an engine alarm is triggered, a gauge status alarm message appears and the gauge may become red depending on the type of alarm.

### Enabling Some Engine Gauge Status Alarms

- 1 From the engine gauges screen, select **Menu > Gauge Setup > Status Alarms > Custom**.
- 2 Select one or more engine gauge alarms to turn on or off.

### Selecting the Number of Engines Shown in Gauges

You can show information for up to four engines.

- 1 From the engine gauges screen, select **Menu > Gauge Setup > Engine Selection > Num. Engines**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - Select the number of engines.
  - Select **Auto Configure** to automatically detect the number of engines.

### Customizing the Engines Shown in Gauges

Before you can customize how the engines are shown in the gauges, you must manually select the number of engines ([Selecting the Number of Engines Shown in Gauges](#)).

- 1 From the engine gauges screen, select **Menu > Gauge Setup > Engine Selection > Edit Engines**.
- 2 Select **First Engine**.
- 3 Select the engine to display in the first gauge.
- 4 Repeat for the remaining engine bars.

### Setting the Fuel Capacity of the Vessel

- 1 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Fuel Capacity**.
- 2 Enter the combined total capacity of the fuel tanks.

### Synchronizing the Fuel Data with the Actual Vessel Fuel

You can synchronize the fuel levels in the chartplotter with the actual fuel in the vessel when you add fuel to your vessel.

- 1 Select **Info > Gauges > Engine > Menu**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - After you have filled up all the fuel tanks on the vessel, select **Fill Up All Tanks**. The fuel level is reset to maximum capacity.
  - After you have added less than a full tank of fuel, select **Add Fuel to Boat**, and enter the amount added.
  - To specify the total fuel in the vessel tanks, select **Set Total Fuel Onboard**, and enter the total amount of fuel in the tanks.

### Setting the Fuel Alarm

Before you can set a fuel level alarm, a compatible fuel flow sensor must be connected to the NMEA 2000 network.

You can set an alarm to sound when the total amount of remaining onboard fuel reaches the level you specify.

- 1 Select **Settings > Alarms > Fuel > Fuel Alarm > On**.
- 2 Enter the remaining amount of fuel that triggers the alarm.

## Viewing Trip Gauges

Trip gauges show information for odometer, speed, time, and fuel for your present trip.

Select **Info > Trip & Graphs > Trip**.

### Resetting Trip Gauges

- 1 Select **Info > Trip**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To set all the readings for the present trip to zero, select **Reset Trip**.
  - To set the maximum speed reading to zero, select **Reset Maximum Speed**.
  - To set the odometer reading to zero, select **Reset Odometer**.
  - To set all the readings to zero, select **Reset All**.

## Viewing the Wind Gauges

Before you can view wind information, you must have a wind sensor connected to the chartplotter.

Select **Gauges > Wind**.

### Configuring the Sailing Wind Gauge

You can configure the sailing wind gauge to show true or apparent wind speed and angle.

- 1 From the wind gauge, select **Menu > Sailing Wind Gauge**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To show true or apparent wind angle, select **Needle**, and select an option.
  - To show true or apparent wind speed, select **Wind Speed**, and select an option.

### Configuring the Speed Source

You can specify whether the vessel speed data displayed on the gauge and used for wind calculations is based on water speed or GPS speed.

- 1 From the wind gauge, select **Menu > Compass Gauge > Speed Display**.

## 2 Select an option:

- To calculate the vessel speed based on data from the water-speed sensor, select **Water Speed**.
- To calculate the vessel speed based on GPS data, select **GPS Speed**.

## Configuring the Heading Source of the Wind Gauge

You can specify the source of the heading displayed on the wind gauge. Magnetic heading is the heading data received from a heading sensor, and GPS heading is calculated by your chartplotter GPS (course over ground).

### 1 From the wind gauge, select **Menu > Compass Gauge > Heading Source**.

### 2 Select **GPS Hdg** or **Magnetic**.

**NOTE:** When moving at low speeds or when stationary, the magnetic compass source is more accurate than the GPS source.

## Customizing the Close-Hauled Wind Gauge

You can specify the range of the close-hauled wind gauge for both the upwind scale and the downwind scale.

### 1 From the wind gauge, select **Menu > Compass Gauge > Set Gauge Type > Close Hauled Gauge**.

### 2 Select an option:

- To set the maximum and minimum values that appear when the upwind close-hauled wind gauge appears, select **Change Upwind Scale**, and set the angles.
- To set the maximum and minimum values that appear when the downwind close-hauled wind gauge appears, select **Change Downwind Scale**, and set the angles.
- To view true or apparent wind, select **Wind**, and select an option.

## Viewing Graphs

Before you can view graphs of various environmental changes, such as temperature, depth, and wind, you must have an appropriate transducer or sensor connected to the network.

Select **Info > Trip & Graphs > Graphs**.

## Setting the Graph Range and Time Scales

You can indicate the amount of time and the range of depth that appear in the depth and water temperature graphs.

### 1 From a graph, select **Graph Setup**.

### 2 Select an option:

- To set a time-elapsed scale, select **Duration**. The default setting is 10 minutes. Increasing the time-elapsed scale allows you to view variations over a longer period of time. Decreasing the time-elapsed scale allows you to view more detail over a shorter period of time.
- To set the graph scale, select **Scale**. Increasing the scale allows you to view more variation in readings. Decreasing the scale allows you to view more detail in the variation.

# Tide, Current, and Celestial Information

## Tide Station Information

You can view information about a tide station for a specific date and time, including the tide height, and when the next high and low tides will occur. By default, the chartplotter shows tide information for the most recently viewed tide station and for the present date and time.

Select **Info > Tides & Currents > Tides**.

## Current Station Information

**NOTE:** Current station information is available with certain detailed maps.

You can view information about a current station for a specific date and time, including the current speed and level of the current. By default, the chartplotter shows current information for the most recently viewed current station and for the present date and time.

Select **Info > Tides & Currents > Currents**.

## Celestial Information

You can view information about sunrise, sunset, moonrise, moonset, moon phase, and the approximate sky view location of the sun and moon. The center of the screen represents the sky overhead, and the outermost rings represent the horizon. By default, the chartplotter shows celestial information for the present date and time.

Select **Info > Tides & Currents > Celestial**.

## Viewing Tide Station, Current Station, or Celestial Information for a Different Date

### 1 Select **Info > Tides & Currents**.

### 2 Select **Tides, Currents, or Celestial**.

### 3 Select an option.

- To view information for a different date, select **Change Date > Manual**, and enter a date.
- To view information for today, select **Change Date > Current**.
- If available, to view information for the day after the date shown, select **Next Day**.
- If available, to view information for the day before the date shown, select **Previous Day**.

## Viewing Information for a Different Tide or Current Station

### 1 Select **Info > Tides & Currents**.

### 2 Select **Tides** or **Currents**.

### 3 Select **Nearby Stations**.

### 4 Select a station.

## Viewing Almanac Information from the Navigation Chart

### 1 From a chart or 3D chart view, select a location.

### 2 Select **Information**.

### 3 Select **Tides, Currents, or Celestial**.

# Sailing Features

## Setting the Vessel Type

You can select your boat type to configure the chartplotter settings and to use features customized for your boat type.

### 1 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Vessel Type**.

### 2 Select **Powerboat** or **Sailboat**.

## Laylines Settings

When in sailing mode (**Setting the Vessel Type**), you can display laylines on the navigation chart. Laylines can be very helpful when racing.

From the navigation chart, select **Menu > Chart Menu > Laylines**.

**Display:** Sets how the laylines and vessel are shown on the chart, and sets the length of the laylines.

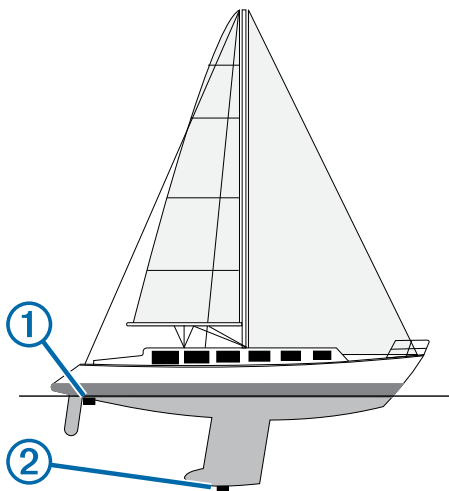
**Sailing Ang.:** Allows you to select how the device calculates laylines. The **Actual** option calculates the laylines using the measured wind angle from the wind sensor. The **Manual** option calculates the laylines using manually entered windward and leeward angles.

**Tide Correction:** Corrects the laylines based on the tide.

## Setting the Keel Offset

You can enter a keel offset to compensate the surface reading for the depth of a keel, making it possible to measure depth from the bottom of the keel instead of from the transducer location. Enter a positive number to offset for a keel. You can enter a negative number to compensate for a large vessel that may draw several feet of water.

- 1 Complete an action, based on the location of the transducer:
  - If the transducer is installed at the water line ①, measure the distance from the transducer location to the keel of the boat. Enter this value in steps 3 and 4 as a positive number.
  - If the transducer is installed at the bottom of the keel ②, measure the distance from the transducer to the water line. Enter this value in steps 3 and 4 as a negative number.



- 2 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Keel Offset**.
- 3 Select **+** or **-** based on the location of the transducer.
- 4 Enter the distance measured in step 1.

## Sailboat Autopilot Operation

### ⚠ CAUTION

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In addition to heading hold, you can use the autopilot to maintain a wind hold. You can also use the autopilot to control the rudder while tacking and gybing.

### Wind Hold

You can set the autopilot to maintain a specific bearing relative to the current wind angle. Your device must be connected to a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 compatible wind sensor to perform a wind hold or a wind-based tack or gybe.

#### Setting the Wind Hold Type

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

For advanced autopilot configuration, see the installation instructions included with your autopilot.

- 1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Wind Hold Type**.
- 2 Select **Apparent** or **True**.

#### Engaging Wind Hold

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

When the autopilot is in standby mode, select **Wind Hold**.

#### Engaging Wind Hold from Heading Hold

Before you can enable the wind hold type, you must connect a NMEA 2000 or NMEA 0183 wind sensor to the autopilot.

With heading hold engaged, select **Menu > Wind Hold**.

#### Adjusting the Wind Hold Angle with the Autopilot

You can adjust the wind hold angle on the autopilot when wind hold is engaged.

- To adjust the wind hold angle in increments of 1°, select ◀ or ▶.
- To adjust the wind hold angle in increments of 10°, hold ◀ or ▶.

### Tack and Gybe

You can set the autopilot to perform a tack or gybe while heading hold or wind hold is engaged.

#### Tacking and Gybing from Heading Hold

- 1 Engage heading hold ([Engaging the Autopilot](#)).
- 2 Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Tack Gybe**.
- 3 Select a direction.

The autopilot steers your boat through a tack or gybe.

#### Tacking and Gybing from Wind Hold

Before you can engage wind hold, you must have a wind sensor installed.

- 1 Engage wind hold ([Engaging Wind Hold](#)).
- 2 Select **Menu > Tack Gybe**.
- 3 Select **Tack** or **Gybe**.

The autopilot steers your boat through a tack or gybe, and information about the progress of the tack or gybe appears on the screen.

#### Setting a Tack and Gybe Delay

The tack and gybe delay allows you to delay steering a tack and gybe after you initiate the maneuver.

- 1 From the autopilot screen, select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Sailing Setup > Tack Delay**.
- 2 Select the length of the delay.
- 3 If necessary, select **Done**.

#### Enabling the Gybe Inhibitor

**NOTE:** The gybe inhibitor does not prevent you from manually performing a gybe using the helm or step steering.

The gybe inhibitor prevents the autopilot from performing a gybe.

- 1 Select **Menu > Autopilot Menu > Autopilot Setup > Sailing Setup > Gybe Inhibitor**.
- 2 Select **Enabled**.

## Warning Manager

### Viewing Messages

- 1 Select **Info > Warning Manager**.
- 2 Select a message.
- 3 Select **Review**.



## Sorting and Filtering Messages

- 1 Select **Info** > **Warning Manager** > **Sort/Filter**.
- 2 Select an option to sort or filter the message list.

## Saving Messages to a Memory Card

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Info** > **Warning Manager** > **Save to Card**.

## Clearing all of the Messages

Select **Info** > **Warning Manager** > **Clear Warning Manager**.

## Media Player

**NOTE:** The media player feature is not compatible with all chartplotter models.

If you have a Garmin Meteor™ media player or a stereo equipped with FUSION-Link™ connected to the NMEA 2000 network, you can control the stereo using the chartplotter. The chartplotter should automatically detect the media player when it is first connected.

You can play media from sources connected to the media player and sources connected to the NMEA 2000 network. Your chartplotter and iPod® can be connected using a Garmin Meteor.

## Opening the Media Player

Before you can open the media player, you must have a compatible device connected to the chartplotter.

Select **Media**.

### Icons

**NOTE:** Not all devices have these icons.

Icon	Description
★	Saves or deletes a channel as a preset
↺	Repeats all songs
↺ <sup>1</sup>	Repeats one song
⏮⏪⏩⏭	Searches for stations or skips songs
🔄	Shuffles

## Selecting the Media Source

When you have multiple media devices connected on a network, such as the NMEA 2000 network, you can select the media source you want to control from your chartplotter.

**NOTE:** You can play media only from sources that are connected to the device.

**NOTE:** Not all features are available on all media sources.

- 1 From the media screen, select **Source**.

**NOTE:** The source menu appears only for devices that support multiple media sources.

- 2 Select a source.

## Connecting a Bluetooth® Wireless Device to the Meteor Media Player

You can wirelessly connect the media player to a Bluetooth device.

- 1 Place the Bluetooth device within 33 ft. (10 m) of the media player.
- 2 From the media screen, select **BT Devices** or **Bluetooth Devices**.
- 3 Enable the Discoverable mode on the Bluetooth device.  
A list of devices appears.

- 4 Select the media player from the options on your Bluetooth device.

## Playing Music

### Browsing for Music

- 1 From the media screen, select **Browse** or **Menu** > **Browse**.
- 2 Select **Select** or select an option.

### Enabling Alphabetical Search

You can enable the alphabetical search feature to find a song or album in a large list.

From the media screen, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Installation** > **Alpha Search**.

### Setting a Song to Repeat

- 1 While playing a song, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Repeat**.
- 2 If necessary, select **Single**.

### Setting All Songs to Repeat

From the media screen, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Repeat** > **All**.

### Setting Songs to Shuffle

- 1 From the media screen, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Shuffle**.
- 2 If necessary, select an option.

### Listening to the Radio

#### Saving a Channel as a Preset

You can save up to 15 AM stations and 15 FM stations as presets.

- 1 From the AM, FM, or VHF page, tune the device to a channel.
- 2 Select **Presets** > **Add Current Channel**.

#### Removing a Channel Preset

- 1 Tune the device to a channel.
- 2 Select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Presets** > **Remove Current Channel**.

#### Changing the Tuning Mode

You can change how you select a station for some media types, such as FM or AM radio.

**NOTE:** Not all tuning modes are available for all media sources.

- 1 From the media screen, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Tuning Mode**.
- 2 Select an option.
- 3 If necessary, select **Select**.

#### Setting the Tuner Region

- 1 From the media screen, select **Menu** > **Media Menu** > **Installation** > **Tuner Region**.
- 2 Select an option.

### Opening the MTP Source

Before you can open the MTP source, you must connect your MTP device to a compatible media device.

You can access music on your Media Transfer Protocol (MTP) device, such as an Android™ device. You can also charge your phone or media player while it is connected and playing music.

- 1 Connect your MTP source through USB, such as the stereo, the external USB plug, or an external dock.
- 2 From the media screen, select **Source** > **MTP**.

## Adjusting the Volume

### Enabling and Disabling Zones

If you have wired your vessel's speakers into zones, you can enable needed zones and disable unused zones.

- 1 From the media screen, select **Menu > Media Menu > Audio Levels > Enable/Disable Zones**.
- 2 Select a zone.

### Muting the Media Volume

- 1 From the media screen, select **Mute**.
- 2 If necessary, select **Select**.

## Scanning VHF Channels

Before you can scan VHF channels, you must set the source to VHF.

You can monitor VHF channels saved as presets for activity and automatically switch to an active channel.

From the VHF media screen, select **Scan**.

## Adjusting the VHF Squelch

**NOTE:** Your media player must support VHF radio to use this feature.

- 1 From the VHF source page, select **Menu > Media Menu > Squelch**.
- 2 Use the slider bar to adjust the VHF squelch.

## SiriusXM® Satellite Radio

When you have a Garmin Meteor 300 and SiriusXM Connect Tuner installed and connected to the chartplotter, you may have access to SiriusXM satellite radio, depending on your subscription.

### Locating a SiriusXM Radio ID

Before you can activate your SiriusXM subscription, you must have the radio ID of your SiriusXM Connect Tuner.

You can locate the SiriusXM Radio ID on the back of the SiriusXM Connect Tuner, on the back of its packaging, or by tuning your chartplotter to channel 0.

- 1 Select an option:
  - Select **Media > Source > SiriusXM**.
  - Select **Settings > System > System Information**.
- 2 If necessary, tune to channel 0 or 1.

The SiriusXM radio ID does not include the letters I, O, S, or F.

### Activating a SiriusXM Subscription

When the SiriusXM tuner is properly installed and turned on, you can hear a preview channel on SiriusXM channel 0 or 1.

- 1 Contact SiriusXM listener care by phone at (866) 635-2349 or go to [www.siriusxm.com/activatenow](http://www.siriusxm.com/activatenow) to subscribe in the United States. Contact SiriusXM by phone at (877) 438-9677 or go to [www.siriusxm.ca/activatexm](http://www.siriusxm.ca/activatexm) to subscribe in Canada.
- 2 Provide the necessary information to the SiriusXM representative or on the web site to activate your SiriusXM Connect Tuner.

**Subscription Updated** appears on the chartplotter display when it is in SiriusXM mode and the tuner has received the activation message.

- 3 If the service is not activated within the hour, go to [care.siriusxm.com/refresh](http://care.siriusxm.com/refresh) or contact SiriusXM by phone at 1-855-MYREFRESH (697-3373).

**NOTE:** For the SiriusXM Connect Tuner to receive the activation message, it must be powered on and receiving the SiriusXM signal.

## Customizing the Channel Guide

SiriusXM radio channels are grouped in categories. You can select the category of channels that appear in the channel guide.

- 1 Select **Media > Category**.
- 2 Select a category.

### Saving a SiriusXM Channel to the Presets List

You can save your favorite channels to the presets list.

- 1 Select **Media**.
- 2 Select the channel you want to save as a preset.
- 3 Select **Menu > Presets > Add Current Channel**.

### Adjusting SiriusXM Satellite Radio Volume

- 1 Select **Media > Menu**.
- 2 Select **+** or **-**.

### Unlocking SiriusXM Parental Controls

- 1 From the media screen, select **Browse > Parental > Unlock**.
- 2 Enter your passcode.

The default passcode is 0000.

### Setting Parental Controls on SiriusXM Radio Channels



Before you can set parental controls, the parental controls must be unlocked.

The parental control feature allows you to limit access to any SiriusXM channels, including those with mature content. When enabled, the parental control feature requires you to enter a passcode to tune to the locked channels.

Select **Browse > Parental > Lock/Unlock**.

A list of channels appears. A checkmark indicates a locked channel.

**NOTE:** When you view the channels after setting parental controls, the display changes:

-  indicates a locked channel.
-  indicates an unlocked channel.

### Changing a Parental Passcode on a SiriusXM Radio

Before you can change the passcode, the parental controls must be unlocked.

- 1 From the media screen, select **Browse > Parental > Change Pin**.
- 2 Enter your passcode and select **Done**.
- 3 Enter a new passcode.
- 4 Confirm the new passcode.

### Restoring Default Parental Control Settings Values

This process deletes all the settings information you have entered. When you restore the parental control settings to their default values, the passcode value is reset to 0000.

- 1 From the media menu, select **Installation > Factory Defaults**.
- 2 Select **Yes**.

### Clearing All Locked Channels on a SiriusXM Radio

Before you can clear all locked channels, the parental controls must be unlocked.

- 1 From the media screen, select **Browse > Parental > Clear All Locked**.
- 2 Enter your passcode.

## Setting the Device Name

- 1 From the media screen, select **Menu > Media Menu > Installation > Set Device Name**.
- 2 Enter a device name.

- 3 Select **Select** or **Done**.

## SiriusXM Weather

### WARNING

The weather information provided through this product is subject to service interruptions and may contain errors, inaccuracies, or outdated information, and consequently should not be relied upon exclusively. Always use common sense while navigating, and check alternate weather information sources prior to making safety-related decisions. You acknowledge and agree that you shall be solely responsible for use of the weather information and all decisions taken with respect to navigating in weather. Garmin will not be responsible for any consequences of using SiriusXM weather information.

**NOTE:** SiriusXM data is not available in all regions.

A Garmin SiriusXM satellite weather receiver and antenna receives satellite weather data and shows it on various Garmin devices, including the Navigation chart on a compatible chartplotter. The weather data for each feature comes from reputable weather data centers such as the National Weather Service and the Hydrometeorological Prediction Center. For more information, go to [www.siriusxm.com/sxmmarine](http://www.siriusxm.com/sxmmarine).

### SiriusXM Equipment and Subscription Requirements

To use satellite weather, you must have a compatible satellite weather receiver. To use SiriusXM satellite radio, you must have a compatible satellite radio receiver. Go to [www.garmin.com](http://www.garmin.com) for more information. You must also have a valid subscription to receive satellite weather and radio. For more information, refer to the instructions for your satellite weather and radio equipment.

### Weather Data Broadcasts

Weather data is broadcast at different intervals for each weather feature. For example, radar is broadcast at five-minute intervals. When the Garmin receiver is turned on, or when a different weather feature is selected, the receiver must receive new data before it can be shown. You might experience a delay before weather data or a different feature appears on the chart.

**NOTE:** Any weather feature can change in appearance if the source that provides the information changes.

### Changing the Weather Chart

- 1 From a weather chart, select **Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather**.
- 2 Select a weather chart.

### Viewing Precipitation Information

Precipitation ranging from very light rain and snow, up to strong thunderstorms, is indicated in varying shades and colors. Precipitation is shown either independently or with other weather information.

Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Precipitation**.

The time stamp in the upper-left corner of the screen indicates the elapsed time since the weather data provider last updated the information.

### Precipitation Views

From the precipitation weather chart, select **Menu > Weather Menu**.

**Radar Loop:** Shows precipitation information as an image of the latest update or as an animated loop of the latest updates. The time stamp indicates the elapsed time since


the service provider generated the weather radar frame currently displayed on the screen.

**Cloud Cover:** Shows cloud cover data.


**Waypoints:** Shows waypoints.

**Legend:** Shows the weather legend.

### Storm Cell and Lightning Information


Storm cells are represented by  on the weather precipitation chart. They indicate both the present position of a storm and the projected path of that storm in the immediate future.

Red cones appear with a storm cell icon, and the widest part of each cone points in the direction of the projected path of the storm cell. The red lines in each cone indicate where the storm will most likely be in the near future. Each line represents 15 minutes.

Lightning strikes are represented by . Lightning appears on the weather precipitation chart if strikes were detected within the last seven minutes. The ground-based lightning detection network detects cloud-to-ground lightning only.

**NOTE:** This feature is not available on all devices and in all subscriptions.

### Hurricane Information

The weather Precipitation chart can show the present position of a hurricane , a tropical storm, or a tropical depression. A red line stemming from a hurricane icon indicates the projected path of the hurricane. Darkened dots on the red line indicate the projected locations through which the hurricane will pass, as received from the weather data provider.

### Weather Warnings and Weather Bulletins

When a marine weather warning, weather watch, weather advisory, weather bulletin, or other weather statement is issued, shading indicates the area to which the information applies. The aqua lines on the chart indicate the boundaries of marine forecasts, coastal forecasts, and offshore forecasts. Weather bulletins may consist of either weather watches or weather advisories.





To view information about the warning or bulletin, select the shaded area.

Color	Marine Weather Group
Cyan	Flash Flood
Blue	Flood
Red	Marine
Yellow	Severe Storm
Red	Tornado

### Forecast Information

The Forecast chart shows city forecasts, marine forecasts, warnings, hurricane warnings, METARS, county warnings, weather fronts and pressure centers, surface pressure, and weather buoys.

#### Viewing Forecast Information for Another Time Period

- 1 Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Forecast**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To view the weather forecast for the next 12 hours, select **Next Forecast** or , and to view forecasts up to 48 hours, in 12-hour increments, select **Next Forecast** or  again.
  - To view the weather forecast for the previous 12 hours, select **Previous Forecast** or , and to view previous forecasts, up to 48 hours ago, in 12-hour increments, select **Previous Forecast** or  again.

## Weather Fronts and Pressure Centers

Weather fronts appear as lines that indicate the leading edge of an air mass.

Front Symbol	Description
	Cold front
	Warm front
	Stationary front
	Occluded front
	Trough

Pressure-center symbols often appear near weather fronts.

Pressure-Center Symbol	Description
<b>L</b>	Indicates a low-pressure center, which is a region of relatively lower pressure. Moving away from a low-pressure center results in increased pressure. Winds flow counterclockwise around low-pressure centers in the northern hemisphere.
<b>H</b>	Indicates a high-pressure center, which is a region of relatively higher pressure. Moving away from a high-pressure center results in decreased pressure. Winds flow clockwise around high-pressure centers in the northern hemisphere.

## Viewing a Marine Forecast or an Offshore Forecast

1 Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Forecast**.

2 Pan the chart to an offshore location.

The Marine Forecast or Offshore Forecast options appear when forecast information is available.

3 Select **Marine Forecast** or **Offshore Forecast**.

## City Forecasts

City forecasts appear as weather symbols. The forecast is viewed in 12-hour increments.

Symbol	Weather	Symbol	Weather
	Partly cloudy		Fair (sunny, hot, clear)
	Cloudy		Rain (drizzle, sleet, showers)
	Windy		Foggy
	Thunderstorms		Snow (snow showers, flurries, blizzard, blowing snow, sleet, freezing rain, freezing drizzle)
	Smoke (dusty, hazy)		

## Viewing Sea Conditions

The Sea Conditions chart shows information about surface conditions, including winds, wave height, wave period, and wave direction.

Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Sea Conditions**.

## Surface Winds

Surface wind vectors appear on the Sea Conditions chart using wind barbs that indicate the direction from which the wind is blowing. A wind barb is a circle with a tail. The line or flag attached to the tail of the wind barb indicates the wind speed. A short line represents 5 knots, a long line represents 10 knots, and triangle represents 50 knots.

Wind Barb	Wind Speed	Wind Barb	Wind Speed
	Calm		20 knots
	5 knots		50 knots
	10 knots		65 knots
	15 knots		

## Wave Height, Wave Period, and Wave Direction

Wave heights for an area appear as variations in color. Different colors indicate different wave heights, as shown in the legend.

The wave period indicates the time (in seconds) between successive waves. Wave period lines indicate areas that have the same wave period.

Wave directions appear on the chart using red arrows. The direction of each arrow pointer indicates the direction in which a wave is moving.

## Viewing Forecast Sea Conditions Information for Another Time Period

1 Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Sea Conditions**.

2 Select an option:

- To view forecasted sea conditions for the next 12 hours, select **Next Forecast** or **▶**, and to view forecasts, up to 36 hours, in 12-hour increments, select **Next Forecast** or **▶** again.
- To view the forecasted sea conditions for the previous 12 hours, select **Previous Forecast** or **◀**, and to view previous forecasts, up to 36 hours ago, in 12-hour increments, select **Previous Forecast** or **◀** again.

## Viewing Fishing Information

The weather Fishing chart shows present water temperature, present surface pressure conditions, and fishing forecasts.

Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Fishing**.

## Surface Pressure and Water Temperature Data

Surface-pressure information appears as pressure isobars and pressure centers. Isobars connect points of equal pressure. Pressure readings can help to determine weather and wind conditions. High-pressure areas are generally associated with fair weather. Low-pressure areas are generally associated with clouds and the chance of precipitation. Isobars packed closely together show a strong pressure gradient. Strong pressure gradients are associated with areas of stronger winds.

Pressure units are shown in millibars (mb), inches of Mercury (inHg), or hectopascals (hPa).

Colored shading indicates the surface temperature of the water, as shown in the legend in the corner of the display.

## Forecasting Fish Locations

You can show areas that contain optimal weather conditions for specific species of fish.

**NOTE:** This feature is not available on all devices and in all subscriptions.

1 From the weather Fishing chart, select **Menu > Weather Menu > Fish Species**.

2 Select a species of fish.

3 Select **On**.

4 Repeat steps 2 and 3 to show areas with optimal weather conditions for additional species of fish.

Shaded areas indicate optimal fishing areas. If you have selected more than one species of fish, you can select a shaded area to view the fish species that are included in the shaded area.

## Changing the Sea Surface Temperature Color Range

You can change the color range dynamically to view higher resolution sea surface temperature readings.

- 1 From the weather Fishing chart, select **Menu > Weather Menu > Sea Temperature**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To allow the chartplotter to adjust the temperature range automatically, select **Auto Configure**.  
The chartplotter automatically finds the lower and upper limits for the current screen, and updates the temperature-color scale.
  - To enter the lower and upper limits for the temperature range, select **Lower Limit** or **Upper Limit**, and enter the lower or upper limit.

## Visibility Information

Visibility is the forecast maximum horizontal distance that can be seen at the surface, as shown in the legend on the left of the screen. Variations in the visibility shading show the forecast change in surface visibility.

**NOTE:** This feature is not available on all devices and in all subscriptions.

Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Visibility**.

### Viewing Forecast Visibility Information for Another Time Period

- 1 Select **Weather > Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Visibility**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To view the visibility forecast for the next 12 hours, select **Next Forecast** or **▶**, and to view forecasts, up to 36 hours, in 12-hour increments, select **Next Forecast** or **▶** again.
  - To view the visibility forecast for the previous 12 hours, select **Previous Forecast** or **◀**, and to view previous forecasts, up to 36 hours ago, in 12-hour increments, select **Previous Forecast** or **◀** again.

## Viewing Buoy Reports

Report readings are taken from buoys and coastal observation stations. These readings are used to determine air temperature, dew point, water temperature, tide, wave height and period, wind direction and speed, visibility, and barometric pressure.

- 1 From a weather chart, select **📍**.
- 2 Select **Buoy**.

### Viewing Local Weather Information near a Buoy

You can select an area near a buoy to view forecast information.

- 1 From a weather chart, select a location on the chart.
- 2 Select **Local Weather**.
- 3 Select an option:
  - To view present weather conditions from a local weather service, select **Current Conditions**.
  - To view a local weather forecast, select **Forecast**.
  - To view surface wind and barometric pressure information, select **Sea Surface**.
  - To view wind and wave information, select **Marine Bulletin**.

## Creating a Waypoint on a Weather Chart

- 1 From a weather chart, select a location.
- 2 Select **Create Waypoint**.

## Weather Overlay

The weather overlay superimposes weather and weather-related information on the Navigation chart, the Fishing chart, and the Perspective 3D chart view. The Navigation chart and the Fishing chart can show weather radar, height of cloud tops, lightning, weather buoys, county warnings, and hurricane warnings. The Perspective 3D chart view can show weather radar.

Weather overlay settings configured for use on one chart are not applied to another chart. The weather overlay settings for each chart must be configured separately.

**NOTE:** The offshore Fishing chart is available with premium charts, in some areas.

### Turning On the Weather Overlay on a Chart

From the Navigation chart or Fishing chart, select **Menu > Chart Setup > Weather > Weather > On**.

### Weather Overlay Settings on the Navigation Chart

From the Navigation chart, select **Menu > Chart Setup > Weather**.

**Weather:** Turns on and off the weather overlay.

**Precipitation:** Shows precipitation data.

**Cloud Cover:** Shows cloud cover data.

**Visibility:** Shows visibility data.

**Buoys:** Shows weather buoys.

**Legend:** Shows the weather legend.

### Weather Overlay Settings on the Fishing Chart

From the Fishing chart, select **Menu > Chart Setup > Weather**.

**Precipitation:** Shows precipitation radar.

**Sea Temperature:** Shows sea temperature data.

**Buoys:** Shows weather buoys.

**Legend:** Shows the weather legend.

## Viewing Weather Subscription Information

You can view information about the weather services you have subscribed to and how many minutes have passed since the data for each service was updated.

From a weather chart, select **Menu > Weather Menu > Change Weather > Weather Subscription**.

## Viewing Video

Before you can view video, you must connect to a compatible source.

Select **Info > Video**.

### Selecting a Video Source

**NOTE:** Not all options are available on all camera models and chartplotter models.

- 1 From the video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu > Source**.
- 2 Select the source of the video feed:
  - To display video for the inputs connected to the chartplotter, select a video option.
  - To view component video, select **Component**.
  - To display real-time data from a computer, select **Analog PC** or **Digital PC**.
  - To simultaneously display four RCA video inputs, select **Quad Video**.

## Alternating Among Multiple Video Sources

If you have two or more video sources, you can alternate between them using a specific time interval.

- 1 From the video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu > Source > Alternate**.
- 2 Select **Time**, and select the amount of time each video appears.
- 3 Select **Source**, and select the video sources to add to the alternating sequence.

## Associating the Camera to a Video Source

You may need to associate the camera with a video source.

- 1 From the video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu > Source**.
- 2 Select the camera.
- 3 Select **Video Setup > Set Input**.
- 4 Select the video input.

## Configuring the Video Appearance

**NOTE:** Not all options are available on all camera models and chartplotter models.

- 1 From the video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu**.
- 2 If necessary, select **Video Setup**.
- 3 Select an option:
  - To show the video using a stretched aspect ratio, select **Aspect > Stretch**. The video cannot be stretched beyond the dimensions provided by the connected video device, and it may not fill the entire screen.
  - To show the video using a standard aspect ratio, select **Aspect > Standard**.
  - To adjust the brightness, select **Brightness**, and select **Up**, **Down**, or **Auto**.
  - To adjust the color saturation, select **Saturation**, and select **Up**, **Down**, or **Auto**.
  - To adjust the contrast, select **Contrast**, and select **Up**, **Down**, or **Auto**.
  - To allow the chartplotter to automatically select the source format, select **Standard > Auto**.

## Configuring the PC Display

Before you can configure the PC display mode, you must set the video source to analog or digital PC.

- 1 When in PC display mode, select anywhere on the screen.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To adjust the screen brightness, select the brightness arrows.
  - To adjust the screen contrast, select the contrast arrows.

## Exiting PC Display Mode

- 1 When in PC display mode, select anywhere on the screen.
- 2 Select the display mode icon in the upper-left corner.  
The video source changes to Video 1.

## Controlling the Camera

### NOTICE

Do not aim the camera at the sun or extremely bright objects. Damage to the lens may occur.

Always use the chartplotter on-screen controls or buttons to pan and tilt the camera. Do not manually move the camera unit. Manually moving the camera may damage the camera.

**NOTE:** This feature is available only when a compatible camera is connected. You may need to update the camera software to use this feature.

- To pan and tilt the camera, select the arrow keys.
- To return the camera to the home position, select **↑**.
- To zoom the camera in and out, select **+** and **-**.

## Camera Settings

Some cameras provide additional options to control the camera view.

**NOTE:** Not all options are available on all camera models and chartplotter models. You may need to update the camera software to use this feature.

From the infrared video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu**.

**IR/Visible:** Displays an infrared or visible camera image.

**Scan:** Surveys the surrounding area.

**Freeze:** Pauses the camera image.

**Polarity:** Reverses the colors in the infrared image, like a photo negative.

**Change Colors:** Selects the color scheme of the infrared image.

**Change Screen:** Selects the infrared image mode, such as day, night, MOB, or docking.

**Video Setup:** Opens more video options.

## Video Settings

Some cameras provide additional setup options.

**NOTE:** Not all options are available on all camera models and chartplotter models. You may need to update the camera software to use this feature.

From the video screen, select **Menu > Video Menu > Video Setup**.

**Set Input:** Associates the camera with a video source.

**Mirror:** Reverses the image like a rearview mirror.

**Standby:** Places the camera in standby mode to conserve power and protect the lens when not in use.

**Home Position:** Sets the home position of the camera.

**Scan Speed:** Sets how quickly the camera moves during a scan.

**Scan Width:** Sets the width of the image captured by the camera during a scan.

**Name:** Allows you to enter a new name for this camera.

**FLIR™ Menu:** Provides access to the settings for the camera.

## Device Configuration

### Turning On the Chartplotter Automatically

You can set the chartplotter to turn on automatically when the power is applied. Otherwise, you must turn on the chartplotter by pressing **⏻**.

Select **Settings > System > Auto Power Up**.

**NOTE:** When **Auto Power Up** is **On**, and the chartplotter is turned off using **⏻**, and power is removed and reapplied within less than two minutes, you may need to press **⏻** to restart the chartplotter.

## System Settings

Select **Settings > System**.

**Simulator:** Turns the simulator on or off and allows you to set the time, date, speed, and simulated location.

**Beeper and Display:** Adjusts the display and sound settings.

**GPS:** Provides information about the GPS satellites and settings.

**System Information:** Provides information about the devices on the network and the software version.

**Station Information:** Adjusts the setup of the station.

**Auto Power Up:** Turns the device on automatically when power is applied.

### Station Settings

Select **Settings > System > Station Information**.

**Change Station:** Sets the entire station to a new set of defaults based on the location of this station. You can also select to use this display as a stand-alone, individual display, instead of grouping it with other displays to make a station.

**GRID Pairing:** Allows you to pair a GRID™ remote input device with this station.

**Display Order:** Sets the order of the displays, which is important when using a GRID remote input device.

**Reset Stations:** Restores the factory default layouts for all displays in the station.

### Viewing System Software Information

You can view the software version, the basemap version, any supplemental map information (if applicable), the software version for an optional Garmin radar (if applicable), and the unit ID number. You may need this information to update the system software or to purchase additional map data information.

Select **Settings > System > System Information**.

### Viewing the Event Log

The event log shows a list of system events.

Select **Settings > System > System Information > Event Log**.

## Preferences Settings

Select **Settings > Preferences**.

**Units:** Sets units of measure.

**Language:** Sets the on-screen text language.

**Navigation:** Sets navigation preferences.

**Keyboard Layout:** Arranges the keys on the on-screen keyboard.

**Multi-Touch:** Enables advanced touchscreen functionality, such as pinch-to-zoom.

### Units Settings

Select **Settings > Preferences > Units**.

**System Units:** Sets the unit format for the device.

**Variance:** Sets the magnetic declination, the angle between magnetic north and true north, for your present location.

**North Reference:** Sets the direction references used in calculating heading information. **True** sets geographic north as the north reference. **Grid** sets grid north as the north reference (000°). **Magnetic** sets the magnetic north as the north reference.

**Position Format:** Sets the position format in which a given location reading appears. Do not change this setting unless you are using a map or chart that specifies a different position format.

**Map Datum:** Sets the coordinate system on which the map is structured. Do not change this setting unless you are using a map or chart that specifies a different map datum.

**Time:** Sets the time format, time zone, and daylight saving time.

### Navigation Settings

**NOTE:** Some settings and options require additional charts or hardware.

Select **Settings > Preferences > Navigation**.

**Route Labels:** Sets the type of labels shown with route turns on the map.

**Turn Transition:** Adjusts how the chartplotter transitions to the next turn or leg or the route. You can set the transition to be based on time or distance before the turn. You can increase the time or distance value to help improve the accuracy of the autopilot when navigating a route or an Auto Guidance line with many frequent turns or at higher speeds. For straighter routes or slower speeds, lowering this value can improve autopilot accuracy.

**Auto Guidance:** Sets the measurements for the **Safe Depth**, **Safe Height**, and **Shoreline Distance**, when you are using some premium maps.

**Route Start:** Selects a starting point for route navigation.

### Auto Guidance Line Configurations

#### ⚠ CAUTION

The Safe Depth and Safe Height settings influence how the chartplotter calculates an Auto Guidance line. If an area has an unknown water depth or an unknown obstacle height, the Auto Guidance line is not calculated in that area. If an area at the beginning or the end of an Auto Guidance line is shallower than the safe water depth or lower than the safe obstacle height, the Auto Guidance line is not calculated in that area. On the chart, the course through those areas appears as a gray line. When your boat enters one of those areas, a warning message appears.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

You can set the parameters the chartplotter uses when calculating an Auto Guidance line.

**Safe Depth:** Sets the minimum depth (chart depth datum) the chartplotter uses when calculating an Auto Guidance line.

**NOTE:** The minimum safe depth for the premium charts is 3 feet. If you enter a Safe Depth value of less than 3 feet, the charts only use depths of 3 feet for Auto Guidance route calculations.

**Safe Height:** Sets the minimum height (chart height datum) of a bridge that your boat can safely travel under.

**Shoreline Distance:** Sets how close to the shore you want the Auto Guidance line to be placed. The Auto Guidance line may move if you change this setting while navigating. The available values for this setting are relative, not absolute. To ensure that the Auto Guidance line is placed the appropriate distance from shore, you can assess the placement of the Auto Guidance line using one or more familiar destinations that require navigation through a narrow waterway ([Adjusting the Distance from Shore](#)).

### Adjusting the Distance from Shore

#### ⚠ CAUTION

The Auto Guidance feature is based on electronic chart information. That data does not ensure obstacle and bottom clearance. Carefully compare the course to all visual sightings, and avoid any land, shallow water, or other obstacles that may be in your path.

**NOTE:** Auto Guidance is available with premium charts, in some areas.

The Shoreline Distance setting indicates how close to the shore you want the Auto Guidance line to be placed. The Auto Guidance line may move if you change this setting while navigating. The available values for the Shoreline Distance setting are relative, not absolute. To ensure the Auto Guidance line is placed the appropriate distance from shore, you can assess the placement of the Auto Guidance line using one or

more familiar destinations that require navigation through a narrow waterway.

- 1 Dock your vessel or drop the anchor.
- 2 Select **Settings > Preferences > Navigation > Auto Guidance > Shoreline Distance > Normal**.
- 3 Select a destination that you have navigated to previously.
- 4 Select **Navigate To > Guide To**.
- 5 Review the placement of the Auto Guidance line, and determine whether the line safely avoids known obstacles and the turns enable efficient travel.
- 6 Select an option:
  - If the placement of the Auto Guidance line is satisfactory, select **Menu > Navigation Options > Stop Navigation**, and proceed to step 10.
  - If the Auto Guidance line is too close to known obstacles, select **Settings > Preferences > Navigation > Auto Guidance > Shoreline Distance > Far**.
  - If the turns in the Auto Guidance line are too wide, select **Settings > Preferences > Navigation > Auto Guidance > Shoreline Distance > Near**.
- 7 If you selected **Near** or **Far** in step 6, review the placement of the Auto Guidance line, and determine whether the line safely avoids known obstacles and the turns enable efficient travel.

Auto Guidance maintains a wide clearance from obstacles in open water, even if you set the Shoreline Distance setting to Near or Nearest. As a result, the chartplotter may not reposition the Auto Guidance line, unless the destination selected requires navigation through a narrow waterway.
- 8 Select an option:
  - If the placement of the Auto Guidance line is satisfactory, select **Menu > Stop Navigation**, and proceed to step 10.
  - If the Auto Guidance line is too close to known obstacles, select **Settings > Navigation > Auto Guidance > Shoreline Distance > Farthest**.
  - If the turns in the Auto Guidance line are too wide, select **Settings > Navigation > Auto Guidance > Shoreline Distance > Nearest**.
- 9 If you selected **Nearest** or **Farthest** in step 8, review the placement of the Auto Guidance line, and determine whether the line safely avoids known obstacles and the turns enable efficient travel.

Auto Guidance maintains a wide clearance from obstacles in open water, even if you set the Shoreline Distance setting to Near or Nearest. As a result, the chartplotter may not reposition the Auto Guidance line, unless the destination selected requires navigation through a narrow waterway.
- 10 Repeat steps 3 through 9 at least once more, using a different destination each time, until you are familiar with the functionality of the Shoreline Distance setting.

## Communications Settings

### NMEA 0183 Settings

Select **Settings > Communications > NMEA 0183 Setup**.

**Port Types:** See [Setting the Communication Format for Each NMEA 0183 Port](#).

**Output Sentences:** See [Configuring NMEA 0183 Output Sentences](#).

**Posn Precision:** Adjusts the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for transmission of NMEA output.

**XTE Precision:** Adjusts the number of digits to the right of the decimal point for NMEA crosstalk error output.

**Waypoint IDs:** Sets the device to transmit waypoint names or numbers via NMEA 0183 while navigating. Using numbers may resolve compatibility issues with older NMEA 0183 autopilots.

**Defaults:** Restores the NMEA 0183 settings to the original factory defaults.

**Diagnostics:** Displays NMEA 0183 diagnostic information.

### Configuring NMEA 0183 Output Sentences

You can enable and disable NMEA 0183 output sentences.

- 1 Select **Settings > Communications > NMEA 0183 Setup > Output Sentences**.
- 2 Select an option.
- 3 Select one or more NMEA 0183 output sentences, and select **Back**.
- 4 Repeat steps 2 and 3 to enable or disable additional output sentences.

### Setting the Communication Format for Each NMEA 0183 Port

You can configure the communication format for each internal NMEA 0183 port when connecting your chartplotter to external NMEA 0183 devices, a computer, or other Garmin devices.

- 1 Select **Settings > Communications > NMEA 0183 Setup > Port Types**.
- 2 Select an input or output port.
- 3 Select a format:
  - To support the input or output of standard NMEA 0183 data, DSC, and sonar NMEA input support for the DPT, MTW, and VHW sentences, select **NMEA Std..**
  - To support the input or output of standard NMEA 0183 data for most AIS receivers, select **NMEA High Speed**.
  - To support the input or output of Garmin proprietary data for interfacing with Garmin software, select **Garmin**.
- 4 Repeat steps 2–3 to configure additional input or output ports.

### NMEA 2000 Settings

Select **Settings > Communications > NMEA 2000 Setup**.

**Device List:** Displays the devices connected to the network.

**Label Devices:** Changes the labels for available connected devices.

### Garmin Marine Network

The Garmin Marine Network allows you to share data from Garmin peripheral devices with the chartplotters quickly and easily. You can connect a chartplotter to a Garmin Marine Network to receive data from and share data with other Garmin Marine Network-compatible devices and chartplotters.

## Setting Alarms

### Navigation Alarms

Select **Settings > Alarms > Navigation**.

**Arrival:** Sets an alarm to sound when you are within a specified distance or time from a turn or a destination.

**Anchor Drag:** Sets an alarm to sound when you exceed a specified drift distance while anchored.

**Off Course:** Sets an alarm to sound when you are off course by a specified distance.

### System Alarms

**Alarm Clock:** Sets an alarm clock.

**Unit Voltage:** Sets an alarm to sound when the battery reaches a specified low voltage.

**GPS Accuracy:** Sets an alarm to sound when the GPS location accuracy falls outside the user-defined value.



## Setting the Fuel Alarm

Before you can set a fuel level alarm, a compatible fuel flow sensor must be connected to the NMEA 2000 network.

You can set an alarm to sound when the total amount of remaining onboard fuel reaches the level you specify.

- 1 Select **Settings > Alarms > Fuel > Fuel Alarm > On**.
- 2 Enter the remaining amount of fuel that triggers the alarm.

## Setting Weather Alarms

Before you can set weather alarms, you must have a compatible chartplotter connected to a weather device, such as a GXM™ device, and have a valid weather subscription.

- 1 Select **Settings > Alarms > Weather**.
- 2 Turn on alarms for specific weather events.

## My Vessel Settings

**NOTE:** Some settings and options require additional charts or hardware.

Select **Settings > My Vessel**.

**Keel Offset:** Offsets the surface reading for the depth of a keel, making it possible to measure depth from the bottom of the keel instead of from the transducer location ([Setting the Keel Offset](#)).

**Temperature Offset:** Compensates for the water temperature reading from a NMEA 0183 water-temperature sensor or a temperature-capable transducer ([Setting the Water Temperature Offset](#)).

**Calibrate Water Speed:** Calibrates the speed-sensing transducer or sensor (xx).

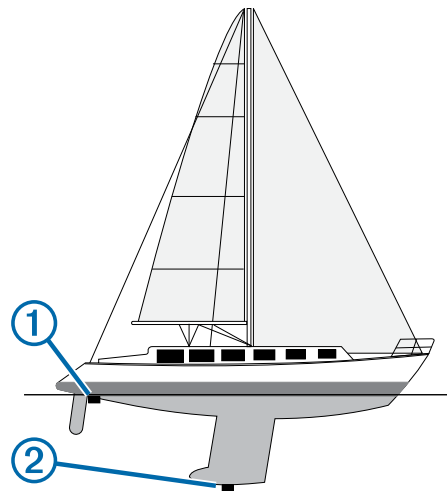
**Fuel Capacity:** Sets the combined fuel capacity of all the fuel tanks on your vessel (xx).

**Vessel Type:** Enables some chartplotter features based on the boat type.

### Setting the Keel Offset

You can enter a keel offset to compensate the surface reading for the depth of a keel, making it possible to measure depth from the bottom of the keel instead of from the transducer location. Enter a positive number to offset for a keel. You can enter a negative number to compensate for a large vessel that may draw several feet of water.

- 1 Complete an action, based on the location of the transducer:
  - If the transducer is installed at the water line ①, measure the distance from the transducer location to the keel of the boat. Enter this value in steps 3 and 4 as a positive number.
  - If the transducer is installed at the bottom of the keel ②, measure the distance from the transducer to the water line. Enter this value in steps 3 and 4 as a negative number.



- 2 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Keel Offset**.
- 3 Select **+** or **-** based on the location of the transducer.
- 4 Enter the distance measured in step 1.

### Setting the Water Temperature Offset

Before you can set the water temperature offset, you must have a NMEA 0183 water-temperature sensor or a temperature-capable transducer to measure water temperature.

The temperature offset compensates for the temperature reading from a temperature sensor.

- 1 Measure the water temperature using the temperature sensor or temperature-capable transducer that is connected to the chartplotter.
- 2 Measure the water temperature using a different temperature sensor or a thermometer that is known to be accurate.
- 3 Subtract the water temperature measured in step 1 from the water temperature measured in step 2.

This is the temperature offset. Enter this value in step 5 as a positive number if the sensor connected to the chartplotter measures the water temperature as being colder than it actually is. Enter this value in step 5 as a negative number if the sensor connected to the chartplotter measures the water temperature as being warmer than it actually is.
- 4 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Temperature Offset**.
- 5 Enter the temperature offset calculated in step 3.

### Calibrating a Water Speed Device

If you have a speed-sensing transducer connected to the chartplotter, you can calibrate that speed-sensing device to improve the accuracy of water-speed data displayed by the chartplotter.

- 1 Select **Settings > My Vessel > Calibrate Water Speed**.
- 2 Follow the on-screen instructions.

If the boat is not moving fast enough or the speed sensor is not registering a speed, a message appears.
- 3 Select **OK**, and safely increase the boat speed.
- 4 If the message appears again, stop the boat, and ensure the speed-sensor wheel is not stuck.
- 5 If the wheel turns freely, check the cable connections.
- 6 If you continue to get the message, contact Garmin product support.

## Other Vessels Settings

When your compatible chartplotter is connected to an AIS device or VHF radio, you can set up how other vessels are displayed on the chartplotter.

Select **Settings > Other Vessels**.

**AIS:** Enables and disables AIS signal reception.

**DSC:** Enables and disables digital selective calling (DSC).

**Collision Alarm:** Sets the collision alarm ([Setting the Safe-Zone Collision Alarm](#)).

**AIS-EPIRB Test:** Enables test signals from Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPRIB).

**AIS-MOB Test:** Enables test signals from man overboard (MOB) devices.

**AIS-SART Test:** Enables test transmissions from Search and Rescue Transponders (SART).

## Restoring the Original Chartplotter Factory Settings

**NOTE:** This will delete all settings information you have entered.

Select **Settings > System > System Information > Factory Settings > Reset**.

## Chartplotter Data Management

### Copying Waypoints, Routes, and Tracks to a Chartplotter

Before you can copy data to the chartplotter, you must have the latest version of MapSource® or HomePort software programs loaded on your computer and a memory card installed in the chartplotter.

Select an option:

- Copy the data from HomePort to the prepared memory card.  
For more information, see the HomePort help file.
- Copy the data from MapSource to the prepared memory card.  
For more information, see the MapSource help file.

### Copying Data from a Memory Card

- 1 Insert a memory card into a card slot.
- 2 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer**.
- 3 If necessary, select the memory card to copy data to.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To transfer data from the memory card to the chartplotter and combine it with existing user data, select **Merge from Card**.
  - To transfer data from the memory card to the chartplotter and overwrite existing user data, select **Replace from Card**.
- 5 Select the file name.

### Copying Waypoints, Routes, and Tracks to a Memory Card

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer > Save to Card**.
- 3 If necessary, select the memory card to copy data to.
- 4 Select an option:
  - To create a new file, select **Add New File**, and enter a name. The file name is saved with an .adm extension.
  - To add the information to an existing file, select the file from the list.

### Copying Waypoints, Routes, and Tracks to or from all Chartplotters on the Network

You can transfer information for waypoints, routes, and tracks from one chartplotter connected to the Garmin Marine Network to every other chartplotter connected to the network. The transfer may take a long time, depending on the number of waypoints being transferred.

- 1 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer > Network**.
- 2 Select an option:
  - To transfer data from the chartplotter to the other chartplotters connected to the network, select **Clone User Data**. Existing data is overwritten on those chartplotters.
  - To transfer data between all the chartplotters connected to the network, select **Merge User Data**. Unique data is combined with existing data on every chartplotter.

### Copying Built-In Maps to a Memory Card

You can copy maps from the chartplotter to a memory card for use with HomePort.

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer**.
- 3 Select **Copy Built-In Map**.

### Backing Up Data to a Computer

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer > Save to Card**.
- 3 Select a file name from the list, or select **Add New File**.
- 4 Select **Save to Card**.  
The file name is saved with an .adm extension.
- 5 Remove the memory card, and insert it into a card reader attached to a computer.
- 6 Open the Garmin\UserData folder on the memory card.
- 7 Copy the backup file on the card and paste it to any location on the computer.

### Restoring Backup Data to a Chartplotter

- 1 Insert a memory card into a card reader that is attached to the computer.
- 2 Copy a backup file from the computer to the memory card, into a folder named Garmin\UserData.
- 3 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 4 Select **Info > User Data > Data Transfer > Replace from Card**.

### Saving System Information to a Memory Card

You can save system information to a memory card as a troubleshooting tool. A product support representative may ask you to use this information to retrieve data about the network.

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Settings > System > System Information > Garmin Devices > Save to Card**.
- 3 If necessary, select the memory card to save system information to.
- 4 Remove the memory card.

## Appendix

### Registering Your Device

Help us better support you by completing our online registration today.

- Go to <http://my.garmin.com>.
- Keep the original sales receipt, or a photocopy, in a safe place.

## Digital Switching

Your chartplotter can be used to monitor or control circuits when a compatible system is connected.

For example, you can control the interior lights and navigation lights on the vessel. You can also monitor live well circuits.

To access the digital switching controls, select **Info > Circuit Control**.

For more information about purchasing and configuring a digital switching system, contact your Garmin dealer.

## Rotating the GRID Joystick

For certain installation situations, you can rotate the orientation of the GRID joystick.

- 1 Select **Settings > Communications > Marine Network**.
- 2 Select the GRID device.

## Cleaning the Screen

### NOTICE

Cleaners containing ammonia will harm the anti-reflective coating.

The device is coated with a special anti-reflective coating which is very sensitive to skin oils, waxes, and abrasive cleaners.

- 1 Apply an eyeglass lens cleaner specified as safe for anti-reflective coatings to the cloth.
- 2 Gently wipe the screen with a soft, clean, lint-free cloth.

## Screenshots

You can capture a screenshot of any screen shown on your chartplotter as a bitmap (.bmp) file. You can transfer the screenshot to your computer.

### Capturing Screenshots

- 1 Insert a memory card into the card slot.
- 2 Select **Settings > Preferences > Screenshot Capture > On**.
- 3 Go to a screen you want to capture.
- 4 Hold **Home** for at least six seconds.

### Copying Screenshots to a Computer

- 1 Remove the memory card from the chartplotter, and insert it into a card reader that is attached to a computer.
- 2 From Windows® Explorer, open the Garmin\scrn folder on the memory card.
- 3 Copy a .bmp file from the card and paste it to any location on the computer.

## Troubleshooting

### My device will not acquire GPS signals

If the device is not acquiring satellite signals, there could be few causes. If the device has moved a large distance since the last time it has acquired satellites or has been turned off for longer than a few weeks or months, the device may not be able to acquire the satellites correctly.

- Ensure the device is using the latest software. If not, update the device software ([Updating the Device Software](#)).
- If the device is using an internal GPS antenna, make sure the device has a clear view of the sky so that the internal antenna can receive the GPS signal. If it is mounted inside of a cabin, it should be close to a window so it can receive the

GPS signal. If the device is mounted inside a cabin and cannot be placed in a location where the device can acquire satellites, use an external GPS antenna.

- If the device is using an external GPS antenna, make sure the antenna is connected to the chartplotter or the NMEA network.
- If the device has more than one GPS antenna source, select a different source ([Selecting the GPS Source](#)).

### My device will not turn on or keeps turning off

Devices erratically turning off or not turning on could indicate an issue with the power supplied to the device. Check these items to attempt to troubleshoot the cause of the power issue.

- Make sure the power source is generating power. You can check this several ways. For example, you can check whether other devices powered by the source are functioning.
- Check the fuse in the power cable. The fuse should be located in a holder that is part of the red wire of the power cable. A 3 Amp fuse is used in this power cable. Check the fuse to make sure there is still a connection inside of the fuse. You can test the fuse using a multimeter. If the fuse is good, the multimeter reads 0 ohms.
- Check to make sure the device is receiving is at least 10 volts, but 12 volts is recommended. To check the voltage, measure the female sockets 8 (power) and 2 (ground) of the power cable for DC voltage. If the voltage is less than 10 volts, the device will not turn on.
- If the device is receiving enough power but does not turn on, contact Garmin product support at [www.garmin.com/support](http://www.garmin.com/support).

### My device is not creating waypoints in the correct location

You can manually enter a waypoint location to transfer and share data from one device to the next. If you have manually entered a waypoint using coordinates, and the location of the point does not appear where the point should be, the map datum and position format of the device may not match the map datum and position format originally used to mark the waypoint.

Position format is the way in which the GPS receiver's position appears on the screen. Commonly displayed as latitude/longitude in degrees and minutes, with options for degrees, minutes and second, degrees only, or one of several grid formats.

Map datum is a math model which depicts a part of the surface of the earth. Latitude and longitude lines on a paper map are referenced to a specific map datum.

- 1 Find out which map datum and position format was used when the original waypoint was created. If the original waypoint was taken from a map, there should be a legend on the map that lists the map datum and position format used to create that map. Most often this is found near the map key.
- 2 On the chartplotter, select **Settings > Preferences > Units**.
- 3 Select the correct map datum and position format settings.
- 4 Create the waypoint again.

## NMEA 0183 Information

Type	Sentence	Description
Transmit	GPAPB	APB: Heading or track controller (autopilot) sentence "B"
	GPBOD	BOD: Bearing (origin to destination)
	GPBWC	BWC: Bearing and distance to waypoint
	GPGGA	GGA: Global positioning system fix data

Type	Sentence	Description
	GPGLL	GLL: Geographic position (latitude and longitude)
	GPGSA	GSA: GNSS DOP and active satellites
	GPGSV	GSV: GNSS satellites in view
	GPRMB	RMB: Recommended minimum navigation information
	GPRMC	RMC: Recommended minimum specific GNSS data
	GPRTE	RTE: Routes
	GPVTG	VTG: Course over ground and ground speed
	GPWPL	WPL: Waypoint location
	GPXTE	XTE: Cross track error
	PGRME	E: Estimated error
	PGRMM	M: Map datum
	PGRMZ	Z: Altitude
	SDDBT	DBT: Depth below transducer
	SDDPT	DPT: Depth
	SDMTW	MTW: Water temperature
	SDVHW	VHW: Water speed and heading
Receive	DPT	Depth
	DBT	Depth below transducer
	MTW	Water temperature
	VHW	Water speed and heading
	WPL	Waypoint location
	DSC	Digital selective calling information
	DSE	Expanded digital selective calling
	HDG	Heading, deviation, and variation
	HDM	Heading, magnetic
	MWD	Wind direction and speed
	MDA	Meteorological composite
	MWV	Wind speed and angle
	VDM	AIS VHF data-link message

## NMEA 2000 PGN Information

Type	PGN	Description
Transmit and receive	059392	ISO acknowledgment
	059904	ISO request
	060928	ISO address claim
	126208	NMEA: Command, request, and acknowledge group function
	126464	Transmit and receive PGN list group function
	126996	Product information
	129026	COG and SOG : Rapid update
	129029	GNSS position data
	129540	GNSS satellites in view
	130306	Wind data
	130312	Temperature
Transmit	127250	Vessel heading
	127258	Magnetic variance
	128259	Speed: Water referenced
	128267	Water depth
	129025	Position: Rapid update
	129283	Cross track error
	129284	Navigation data
129285	Navigation route and waypoint info	
Receive	126992	System time
	127250	Vessel heading
	127489	Engine parameters: Dynamic

Type	PGN	Description
	127488	Engine parameters: Rapid update
	127493	Transmission parameters: Dynamic
	127505	Fluid level
	128259	Speed: water referenced
	128267	Water depth
	129025	Position: rapid update
	129038	AIS class A position report
	129039	AIS class B position report
	129040	AIS class B extended position report
	129539	GNSS DOPs
	129794	AIS class A static and voyage related data
	129809	AIS class B "CS" static data report, part A
	129810	AIS class B "CS" static data report, part B
	130310	Environmental parameters
	130311	Environmental parameters
	130313	Humidity
	130314	Actual pressure

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